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SUEZ CANAL REOPENED AFTER EIGHT YEARS

Sadat: Would fight Israel for lands

PORT SAID. — President Sadat opened the Suez Canal yesterday after an eight-year closure and hailed it as "a contribution to peace" in the Middle East. But he indicated this would not deter Egypt from fighting Israel again if necessary to obtain its withdrawal from Arab lands and a solution to the Palestinian problem.

Resplendent in an admiral's white uniform, Sadat declared the Canal open to international shipping at 10.30 a.m. Following the speech he boarded the destroyer October the Sixth — the opening day of the Yom Kippur War — which broke through a thin chain strung 120 metres across the mouth of the Canal and nosed southward for a six-hour trip to Ismailia, 80 kms. away.

In his four-minute quayside speech, Sadat declared that "while making this initiative as a contribution to peace, Egypt reminds friendly nations that parts of its dear soil are still under foreign occupation and that an entire people (Palestinians) are still suffering the consequences of suppression and homelessness."

Egypt, he said, "reiterates its determination to do its holy duty towards its own and other Arab lands — in the Golan Heights, Sinai, and Palestine — and toward usurped Arab rights."

Later, speaking to Egyptian newsmen on the destroyer, Sadat described Israel's decision to thin forces in Sinai near the Canal as "a very important step." He said "this gesture means we start the process again. Let us hope it is not simply a tactical move by Israel."

Asked if there was sufficient momentum towards peace to renew the UN mandate in Sinai when it expires on July 24, Sadat said, "There is not yet sufficient momentum to renew the mandate." He added, "Let us be practical. The thinning out and withdrawal of some artillery by Israel must be followed by a main step. I am still hopeful and I am more hopeful since my talks with President Ford in Salzburg last weekend."

Sadat said there was no question of Israeli ships using the waterway. "We have been in a state of war for the past 27 years, therefore there will be no passage of Israeli ships through the Canal. But the passage of merchandise on other ships bound for Israel will depend on Israel's conduct."

Sadat said "the problem is not the passage of goods... but whether Israel will continue the process of peace, or return to its intransigent stand which led to the collapse of Kissinger's mission."

The foreign guest of honour at the ceremonies yesterday was the 14-year-old Crown Prince Reza Pahlevi, son of the Shah of Iran — who has pledged funds for developing the Canal zone. The prince was at Sadat's side and the President gave him an effusive welcome when they met. (See photo — Page 4)

The destroyer carrying Sadat led a convoy of five Egyptian ships that sailed majestically through a Pharaonic-style gate across the entrance to the Canal and on to its midway point of Ismailia, where celebrations continued late into the night. Two hours later, the first convoy of toll-paying ships entered the Canal on the way to the Red Sea. It consisted of five ships flying the Kuwaiti, Greek, Chinese, Soviet and Yugoslav flags.

The colour and pageantry at the ceremony at Port Said made it an occasion to compare with the original opening of the Canal, built by forced Egyptian labour more than a century ago. A 21-gun salute boomed a fanfare of trumpets when President Sadat arrived at Port Said.

Flotillas of small craft filled with dancing fishermen circled Egyptian destroyers and foreign merchant ships. Soviet-made Mig warplanes shrieked low overhead and loudspeakers on boats and trucks blared patriotic songs urging "a hundred claps for the hero of the Canal crossing... Sadat, you have made our hearts joyful."

Among the ships in the first convoy to ply the Canal's waters was the flagship of the U.S. Sixth Fleet. The cruiser Little Rock came at the invitation of the Egyptian Government, U.S. sources said, as a gesture of gratitude to the U.S. for the key role it played to help clear the waterway over the past 13 months.

Mashour Ahmed Mashour, the Canal Authority chairman who accompanied Sadat on the destroyer, called the first commercial convoy "purely symbolic, only half a dozen ships." But he said that beginning today two convoys a day would traverse the Canal, one northbound and one southbound.

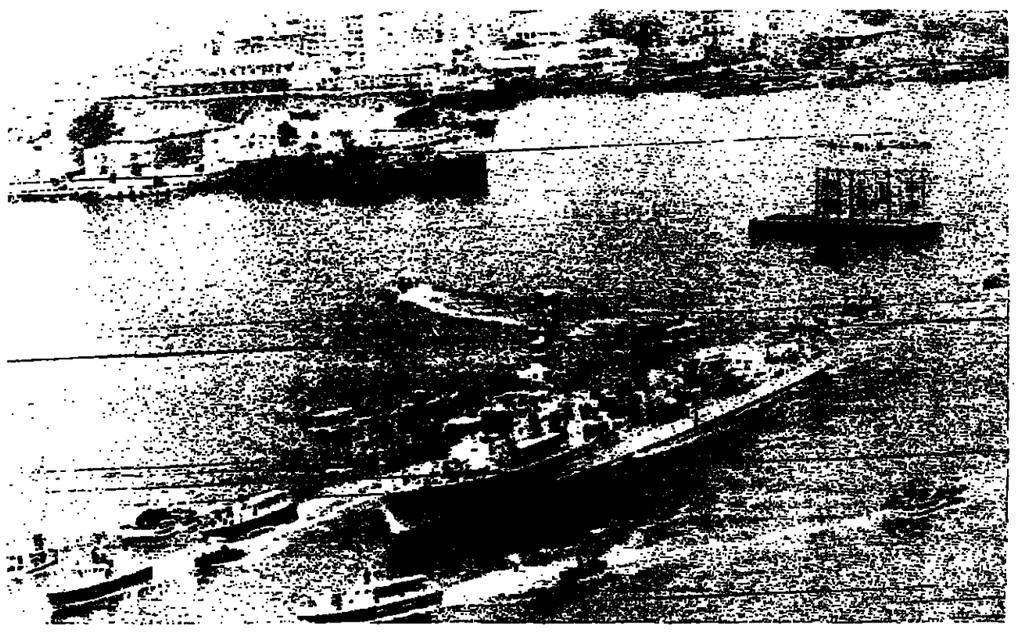
"After 15 days or so, we will probably begin our old system of convoys night and day," Mashour said. "But it will be at least two months before we are handling anything like the volume of traffic that we handled before 1967."

Mashour said he now has 170 of the former pilots back at work and another 100 new ones, enough to meet the Canal's needs. Mashour's biggest worry now, he said, is insurance rates being charged for Canal shipping. "They plan to charge three times as much as the normal rate for war insurance," he said. "But happily some representatives of Lloyd's of London will be here for the Canal opening and we hope to persuade them this is not necessary." *(UPI, Reuter, AP)*

Minister and newsmen scuffle with guards

PORT SAID (Reuter). — The opening ceremony — designed to give world-wide publicity to the Canal's reopening — almost misfired when over-zealous Egyptian security men refused admission to 200 reporters, photographers and television cameramen from around the world.

Minister of Information Kamal Abul-Magd intervened and got caught up in violent jostling between newsmen and security forces. No one was hurt in the ugly incident and the Information Minister eventually got the press in to cover the ceremony only minutes before President Sadat's arrival.



Surrounded by a swarm of small craft, the Egyptian Navy destroyer "October 6" with President Sadat aboard enters the Suez Canal at Port Said yesterday. At right the marker station for the entrance at the northern end of the Canal. In the background is Port Said harbour. (AP radiophoto)

Caution in Jerusalem on U.S. initiative

Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent

In Jerusalem, as in Washington (see below), officials declined to divulge details of the meeting on Wednesday between Secretary of State Kissinger and Ambassador Simcha Dinitz, but they thought to inject a note of caution into the near-euphoric optimism generated by leaks and reports from the Salzburg talks.

They indicated that Egyptian President Sadat's demand for progress on the Syrian front as well as on his own, and his efforts to concentrate Mr. Ford's attention on the problems of an overall settlement, could still raise obstacles in the way of an interim Israel-Egypt accord.

Observers here believe the chances of an Israel-Egypt accord — if it can be negotiated without the involvement of extraneous elements — have improved. They predict it would be based on a three to five year Unef mandate extension in a "non-use of force" agreement, with Israel withdrawing from the Mitla and Gidi passes and Abu Rodeis.

The observers were concerned at President Ford's apparent interest in the problems of an overall accord. They feel Washington's formulation of a final peace plan now might lead to arduous discussions on the Jerusalem-Washington axis which might head off the change of concluding an interim pact with Egypt.

In Tel Aviv last night, Prime Minister Rabin said deadlock in the Middle East was at an end and, in the newly created atmosphere, chances had improved for examining ways of moving toward a peace settlement. Rabin was addressing the national secretariat of the Labour Party's Young Guard.

Kissinger says Israel and Egypt 'even'

By WOLF BLITZER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

WASHINGTON. — Insisting that there has not been a U.S. "tilt" against Israel, Ambassador Simcha Dinitz said yesterday that his government is still very anxious to revive the U.S.-sponsored peace initiative in the Middle East.

He warned, however, that if "this turns out to be impossible, then we are prepared to go to Geneva under the original conditions and try to iron out our differences there."

In an interview with the "Washington Star-News," the Ambassador said the Geneva conference has been postponed over the past few months in order "to give a chance for bilateral diplomacy under the U.S. effort to revive an American initiative."

Warning that a Geneva conference could turn into a mini-United Nations, Dinitz noted that Israel would "rather believe and hope that there would be a possibility to have real negotiations and, if possible, under American initiative and American good offices."

Dinitz met late Wednesday afternoon with Secretary of State Henry Kissinger for about 90 minutes to hear about President Ford's meetings in Salzburg with Egyptian President Sadat. They also worked out details of Prime Minister Rabin's visit to Washington next week.

Kissinger reportedly told Dinitz that Israel's unilateral pullback of forces from the Suez Canal region was a helpful move, but that Egypt's decision to reopen the Canal — even though the talks had collapsed in March — was also a very helpful gesture.

The U.S., informed sources quoting Kissinger as having told Dinitz, believe Israel and Egypt are now "even" and it is up to both sides to continue the process at this time.

Kissinger said publicly earlier this week the Israeli gesture was not "decisive," but was a step in the right direction.

Israeli sources here said the meeting had been "factual and constructive and held in a friendly atmosphere." Embassy Minister Mordechai Shalev, Assistant Secretary of State Alfred Atherton and National Security Council Assistant Peter Rodman also participated.

After the meeting, Dinitz refused to give newsmen details of the conversation, merely noting that the Secretary had given him a "full report" of the Salzburg talks. Dinitz cabled a report on the meeting to the Israel Government on Wednesday evening.

American officials here believe that another Israel-Egyptian interim accord in Sinai is very much possible, based on the attitude adopted by Sadat last week. The Egyptian leader is said to be prepared to extend the Unef mandate for three years in exchange for an Israeli withdrawal from the Abu Rodeis oilfields and the Mitla and Gidi passes. The Egyptian leader is also reported to be prepared to implement other "elements of non-belligerency," although he adamantly refuses to end the state of war with Israel.

Kissinger is believed anxious to hear from Prime Minister Rabin next week that Israel will accept Egypt's terms, thus opening the way for a new pact.

State Department officials do not

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U.S. expects Egypt will allow Canal transit of Israel cargoes

Confirms Sadat gave secret assurances

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — State Department officials here expect that Egypt will permit Israeli cargoes in third-country vessels to go through the Suez Canal, but are hopeful that Israel will not overly publicize it so as not to "embarrass" Egyptian President Sadat in the eyes of more radical Arabs.

The officials, who have privately confirmed that Egypt had assured the U.S. during the 1974 disengagement agreement to end its ban on Israeli cargoes once the Canal was reopened, are none the less concerned that this issue could become highly sensitive. Too much adverse reaction among the extremist Arabs could force Sadat to rescind his pledge, they warn.

At yesterday's State Department briefing, spokesman Robert Funseth declined to confirm that the Egyptians had secretly undertaken to allow Israeli cargoes through the Canal, but confirmed that secret assurances accompanied the 1974 pact.

In Jerusalem, Transport Minister Gad Ya'acobi said yesterday Egypt had made a written pledge to allow Israeli cargo through the Suez Canal, but an aide said a ship reportedly en route for the Canal with Israeli freight "does not exist."

A Liberian flagship was reported earlier to be steaming for the Canal with 9,000 tons of sugar for the Israeli government. Ya'acobi appeared to confirm this report in a radio interview.

Later an aide to Ya'acobi, Asher Ron, told a newsman that "to the best of our knowledge, the ship does not exist. And if it does, it is not headed for the Canal" with Israeli goods. He said the Ministry knew of no ship bearing Israeli cargo that was bound for the Canal.

It was reported last night that the State Department expressed its deep concern to the Israel Embassy in Washington on Ya'acobi's statement indicating the Liberian vessel was heading for the Suez Canal.

Terrorists rocket Kiryat Shmona

Grenade thrown in Jerusalem

By YORAM HAMIZRAHI
Jerusalem Post Reporter and Post Staff

KIRYAT SHMONA. — Arab terrorists staged a rocket attack on this northern town and threw a hand grenade at policemen in Jerusalem yesterday in an attempt to mark the eighth anniversary of the Six Day War.

The army spokesman said the rockets were fired from Lebanese territory at about 3 a.m. and hit in and around the town of Kiryat Shmona, three kms. from the frontier.

Residents said several rockets hit the area in the space of 25 minutes and damaged a kindergarten and set fire to a number of places in the town and on the surrounding mountain slopes. One resident was slightly wounded by flying glass from shattered windows. The fires were quickly brought under control by the Fire Brigade.

Prime Minister Rabin and the Chief of Staff, Rav-Aluf Mordechai Gur, flew to the town by helicopter in the early afternoon and toured the sites where the rockets hit. They were accompanied by Commerce Minister Haim Bar-Lev, who is chairman of the Government committee for development towns, and Aluf Rehavam Ze'evi, adviser on intelligence to the Prime Minister.

The Premier and his party talked to townspeople near the wrecked kindergarten and later met with the municipal council. Rabin said to newsmen: "I did not come here to make a political statement but to visit the site after the rocket attack which reminds us of the reality in which we live. I leave Kiryat Shmona encouraged by the determination and strength of the townspeople."

Power and phone lines cut by shrapnel had been repaired by early morning. Children who attend the destroyed kindergarten were sent to other kindergartens in the area.

Mayor Avraham Aloni said in the morning he had phoned the Premier to seek action on standing Government promises to build more shelters and reinforced security rooms in the town.

This was the third rocket attack on Kiryat Shmona since April 11 last year when three terrorists slipped into the town and killed 16 civilians and two soldiers in an apartment house before being killed by counter-attacking soldiers.

Wednesday night's attack sent local residents to shelters and security rooms or — in the absence of either — to stairwells and windowless entrance halls.

The rockets were fired from the Lebanese village of Markabe, about 5½ kms. northwest of Kiryat Shmona. Markabe is located in hilly bush-covered terrain.

The Katyushas are believed to have been of 182mm. calibre, a type rarely used until now by the terrorists. In operation, they are similar to mortars and can be mounted on vehicles. A fragment found near the kindergarten was inscribed with Russian Cyrillic lettering and the figure 182.

In Jerusalem, police said a grenade was thrown at a group of policemen and Haga Civil Defence guards engaged in setting up a road barrier near the District Court in East Jerusalem, part of the precautions taken on the anniversary of the war. One Haga man was slightly injured by flying grenade fragments.

The incident occurred at 7.30 a.m. at the corner of Saladin and St. George Streets.

The grenade was tossed from a height but it is not yet clear whether it was thrown from the solitary apartment house nearby or a passing bus. Police cordonned off the area and arrested eight persons.

The anniversary passed quietly in the administered area apart from minor incidents: in Beit Sahur near Jerusalem a crowd of pupils assembled in the morning and in nearby Beit Jallah anti-Israel slogans were scrawled on the walls.

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Peres, at air show, shows keen interest in F-16

By JACK MAURICE
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

PARIS. — The highlight of Defence Minister Shimon Peres' first day in France was a three-hour tour of Le Bourget air show where he displayed keen interest in the American F-16 warplane — to the evident distress of his escort, Serge Dassault, commissioner for the fair and son of aircraft builder Marcel Dassault.

He began his tour at the stand of the Israel Aircraft Industries which is presenting the Arava short-take-off-and-landing (Stol) aircraft, the Westwind 1124 executive jet, the Mark 11 Gabriel navy missile and other weapons.

Asked by a reporter whether his visit to the air fair was a retort to the United States, which is delaying deliveries of new military equipment to Israel, the Minister said, "Not at all. We are not dissatisfied with the Americans. This is all part of political life."

Peres' visit coincided with the last suspense-ridden hours in the contest between France's Dassault-Breguet Mirage F1-E and the American General Dynamics F-16 for an order from four Nato countries to replace F-104G Starfighters and other aging aircraft. The decision of Belgium is due tomorrow and it is expected to confirm those of Holland, Norway and Denmark to buy the F-16.

Peres stood beside Serge Dassault as they watched the F-16 perform aerobatics over Le Bourget followed by a French Air Force Mirage-F1 with eight 400-kilo bombs suspended from its wings. The Israeli minister commented: "It looks as if Europe will become completely American."

With Serge Dassault still at his side, Mr. Peres put probing questions about the American aircraft to its chief test pilot, Lt.-Col. Neil Anderson. (Earlier story — Page 4)

U.S.-Egyptian unit on investment

CAIRO (Reuter). — A joint Egyptian-American committee to promote and encourage investment in Egypt was formed yesterday.

'Yes' predicted in UK poll on Euromart

LONDON (AP). — Britons voted yesterday in their first referendum in history on whether to stay in the European Common Market. The latest public opinion polls predicted a massive "yes" vote by a 2-to-1 margin.

The question to which voters had to give a "yes" or "no" answer was, "Do you think the United Kingdom should stay in the European Community?"

3 Egyptians held in Sinai

Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent

An Egyptian officer and two soldiers were captured by an army patrol behind Israeli lines in Sinai on Tuesday night, the army spokesman announced yesterday. The Red Cross and the UN have been informed that the Egyptians, who were caught in the southern sector of the Suez Canal area, will be returned to Egypt "as soon as possible," the spokesman said.

The three men, commanded by a lieutenant, were probably on an intelligence mission. This is the first time since the disengagement agreement that Israel has reported capturing an Egyptian intelligence unit behind its lines. Footprints of such patrols have been found several times, but not reported in the press.

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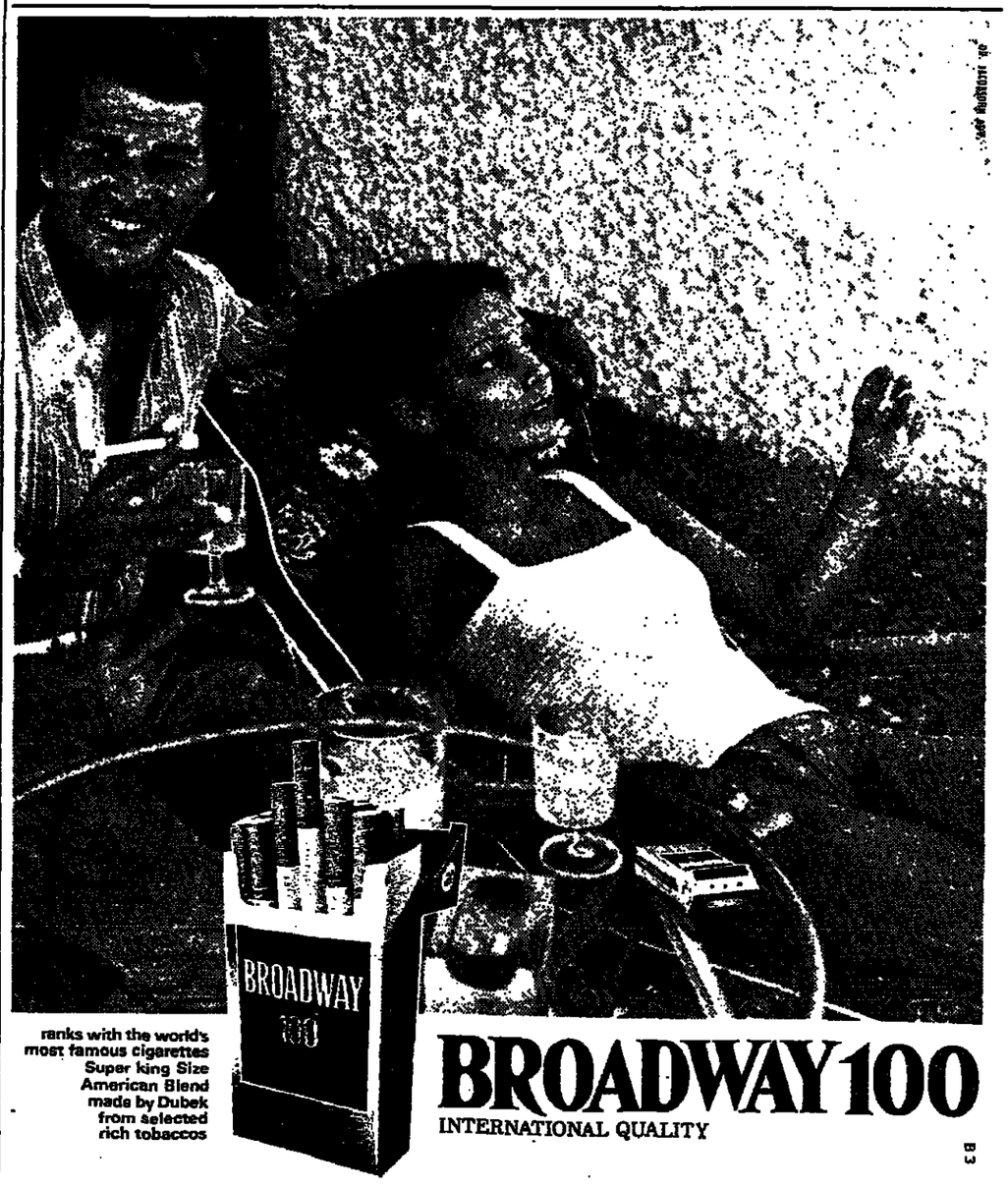

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Nahariya	69	15—27	15—25
Safed	41	15—26	13—25
Haifa Port	61	22—26	19—24
Tiberias	33	19—33	16—31
Nazareth	44	18—30	14—27
Afula	40	17—33	15—27
Shomron	69	17—35	14—24
Tel Aviv	63	20—26	14—25
B.G. Airport	61	16—28	14—26
Jericho	63	19—35	17—33
Gaza	63	22—33	18—26
Beersheba	39	16—29	15—27
Eilat	13	23—39	22—37
Tiran Straits	30	27—36	25—35

Social and Personal

Leon Charney, a New York advocate representing American creditors of the Israel-British Bank, met yesterday with Finance Minister Yehoshua Rabinowitz.

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The U.S. Consul-General in Jerusalem and Mrs. Arthur Day gave a farewell reception Wednesday evening on completion of their three-year tour of duty in Israel.

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Avner Treinin, professor of physical chemistry, has been chosen Dean of the Faculty of Science at the Hebrew University.

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Riva Freedman this week was elected chairman of the Jerusalem branch of the Association of Americans and Canadians in Israel. The vice-chairmen are Donald Edelstein, Aviva Pinchuk and Rabbi Joseph Schachter. The secretary is Marvin Hankin, and the treasurer is Harvey Liefer.

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The David Ben-Gurion JNF Forest at Lahav near Beersheba was dedicated yesterday by Bebe Patten of the Patten Bible College, Oakland, California, who donated 10,000 trees.

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An Oneg Shabbat in English will take place at 9.30 tonight at Ihud Shivat Zion, 86 Rehov Ben-Yehuda, Tel Aviv. Tourists are cordially welcome to meet Prof. Kurt Stern of Bar-Ilan University and author Israel Taslitt.

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The speakers at the Oneg Shabbat at Hechal Shlomo at 9.30 tonight are Rabbi Nisan Heifetz and Yigal Kam of the Foreign Ministry. Zmirot: Cantor Arye Goldberg. A Melaveh Malka programme will be held at 9.00 p.m. tomorrow. Hayim Zohar *will be guest speaker.* Cantor Yehuda Lendner will sign, and a film will be shown. The public is invited.

DEPARTURES

Moshe Sanbar, Governor of the Bank of Israel, for Basle, for the annual meeting of the Bank for International Settlement.

Rakah members Salim el-Kassem and Binyamin Gonen, to Moscow, following an invitation from the Communist Party (by Turkish Airways).

Rachel Laibler, president of the National Religious Women's organization of Australia.

ARRIVALS

Peter Marcuson and Brian Shanahan *of the Australian Department of Overseas Trade,* to discuss tariff preferences with Commerce Ministry officials.

Cabinet unanimous on some peace points

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Cabinet has unanimously approved a number of proposals which Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin will convey to President Ford when they meet in Washington next week, Religious Affairs Minister Yitzhak Raphael said yesterday.

Speaking before the Executive of the National Religious Party in Tel Aviv, Dr. Raphael said, "There is no ground to assume that the negotiations would resume at the same point at which they left off during the Kissinger mission in March. President Ford knows Israel's position and may be expected to suggest some new, workable ideas."

PAYIS WINNERS

The IL500,000 grand prize in the Mif'al Hapayis lottery was drawn yesterday by ticket No. 423242. No. 597461 won IL100,000. No. 220933 won IL50,000. Nos. 104992 and 146611 won IL10,000. Nos. 028073, 147873, 212659, 230152, 283501, 398897, 479859, 650706, 669844, and 778164 won IL5,000.

Tickets ending in "9" won IL6.

Harsher steps enforced on exit visas

Prisoner of Zion gets cruel treatment in Soviet camp

By SARAH HONIG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Complaints about the mistreatment of Prisoner of Zion Israel Zalmanson, one of the original Leningrad Trial defendants, have come from his brother Shmuel, the only one of the Zalmanson brothers not incarcerated, following the abortive 1970 scheme to hijack a plane out of the Soviet Union.

Israel and Wolf Zalmanson are now serving long terms in prison camps, as is their brother-in-law, Edward Kuznetsov. Sylva, the Zalmansons' sister and Kuznetsov's wife, was released after serving four years and is now in Israel.

Shmuel Zalmanson's charges of mistreatment are included in an appeal addressed to Soviet Communist Party chief Leonid Brezhnev. It follows previous appeals which were in vain.

Shmuel Zalmanson charges that his brother Israel, serving an eight-year sentence in a camp in Moldavia, is being subjected to "cruel and degrading treatment." Israel Zalmanson is systematically deprived of visits and is frequently placed in punishment cells. Letters sent to him by friends and relatives are confiscated. The punishments meted out to him are for such "offences" as keeping a white undershirt among his belongings, or refusing to go out to work when he was running a temperature of 39 degrees.

Another appeal from the USSR comes from former Soviet merchant marine captain Moshe Edelman, who cannot join his only daughter and grandchildren in Israel because the Soviet authorities have arbitrarily decided that he has knowledge of state secrets. Writing from Riga and addressing his appeal to world Jewry, 59-year-old Edelman brings up a problem shared by thousands of Jews who have applied to leave for Israel but who were denied the right because they — or some relative of theirs, or even a neighbour — were exposed to state secrets. Among those denied exit permits for this reason were cleaning women employed in civilian plants where no classified work was done, landscape architects, department store clerks, and dentists.

In Moscow yesterday, scientist Alexander Lerner, who has been denied permission to go to Israel, said Soviet security police told him he could not accept an invitation to an international seminar in the Soviet Union. Lerner, a 63-year-old mathematician, told newsmen he was invited by an American delegation to attend a September seminar in Soviet Georgia.

The Americans and Soviets are organizing the conference and Lerner was informed by a letter from the Americans that the Soviets had in principle agreed to Lerner's participation.

But Lerner said he was summoned to a four-hour meeting with KGB officials on Monday and told he could not take part. He said the KGB regarded the invitation as a "provocation."

Lerner lost his post at a scientific institute more than two years ago after he applied to emigrate.

In Seattle, Washington, physicist Alexander Voronel yesterday said the pressure of Western public opinion has made possible some limited emigration of Jewish scientists from Russia.

Voronel and his wife, Nina, told Soviet authorities three years ago they wished to leave Russia. Then they lived in fear and harassment until their recent departure was approved, the scientist says.

The Voronels are now on their way to a new home in Israel. They were in Seattle to visit Dr. Edward Stern, a constant advocate of emigration rights for Soviet Jewry. Stern met the Voronels at a scientific conference in Moscow two years ago.

Mrs. Voronel, a poet-playwright, said that perhaps because of increased Soviet Government persecution of Jews she has noted an increased interest in religion among young Russian Jews.

"You used to go into a synagogue and there would be just a handful of old people there," she said. "I didn't even know until six or seven years ago what day Yom Kippur was on. Now you go into a synagogue on any Jewish religious holiday and there are thousands of people."

Shoremen's offer to break strike rejected

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The board of directors of the Eilat-Ashkelon Pipeline Company last night decided not to reopen the Ashkelon oil port, despite the offer by the shore workers to break the strike of the Marine Department workers. The strikers, who moor tankers and connect oil pipes to them, meanwhile remained aboard four commandeered tugboats.

The company's Director-General, Avraham Botser, declined to explain why the board rejected the offer to break the strike. But it seems the board fears clashes which could become extremely violent.

Finance Minister Yehoshua Rabinowitz yesterday invited the management and works committees to a meeting in his office in Tel Aviv today.

At the oil terminal yesterday, wives and mothers of the strikers talked to their men on ship-to-shore radio. They pleaded with them to come home. Some of the strikers are reliably reported to favour returning to work, but a militant leadership is keeping its hold over them. An attempt to change the strikers' works committee Wednesday failed. Helmsman Eli Canaan, who had gone to the boats after collecting 10 signatures for changing the committee, was reportedly threatened with violence.

Meanwhile, eight of the port workers arrested last week in Ashkelon were released yesterday, on special conditions set by the police.

Another nine strikers still remain in custody, but they are likely to be released today.

The strikers were set free on bail on condition that they stay away from the boats, whether at sea or those already back in harbour. They are forbidden to establish any contacts with the strikers who are still *evading arrest or to aid them with* food or supplies of any kind. These conditions will remain in effect until the four vessels still at large are returned to their rightful owners — the pipline company and contractor Lerer.

'Ashkelon contractor gave best bid to salvage boat'

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Yona Lerer, the controversial contractor at the Ashkelon oil port, won a IL90,000 contract for salvaging a sunken tugboat because he was the lowest bidder, according to Yitzhak Ariel, who examined the claim for the Surdam insurance agency.

He was commenting yesterday on information contained in Eilat-Ashkelon Pipeline Company documents, which the striking mooring men copied and distributed to the press.

The vessel, Ashkelon 8, belongs to the pipeline company but was under lease to Lerer when it sank on January 29, three miles from the Ashdod lighthouse (not Ashkelon, as reported in yesterday's *Jerusalem Post*).

An inquiry committee cleared Lerer of responsibility for the sinking. Dov Ben-Dror, chairman of the pipeline company's board of directors, said the contractor's involvement in the sinking "was totally irrelevant" to the salvaging. "If somebody is to blame for the sinking — he should pay for it. But you've got to salvage the boat anyhow," he said.

In one of the company's letters circulated by the strikers, Mishael Shaham, manager of the Ashkelon oil terminal, complained he had not received a copy of the agreement between the company and the contractor. Shaham told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday "I know the contents of the contract only too well. It's a very simple contract. I just wanted to see it in writing. It's a simple administrative matter."

'Bonn won't give in to Arab pressure'

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

BONN. — The West German Deputy Foreign Minister, Karl Moersch, told the visiting Israeli Knesset delegation that his Government had made it clear to the Arabs that it would not bow to any pressure intended to force it to change its policy towards Israel.

West Germany, he added, was in the meantime taking steps to ensure supplies of fuel so that it would not be an easy target for any oil embargo.

Mr. Moersch emphasized that the West German Foreign Minister, Hans-Dietrich Genscher, had pointed out during his recent visit to Arab capitals that Bonn would not support any stand which cast the slightest doubt on Israel's right to exist.

On Wednesday the delegation was told that, aside from a radical minority, most young Germans feel their country has a responsibility to Israel which need not conflict with Bonn's basic interests.

Delegation member Zalman Shoval (Likud) said this was made clear in a meeting with younger members of the West German Bundestag (parliament), particularly from the ruling Social Democratic Party.

The six-man Knesset group is on a nine-day visit to the Federal Republic at the invitation of the Bundestag.

Meanwhile a leading member of the Bonn coalition said that a peaceful solution to the Middle East conflict was not possible without participation of the Palestine Liberation Organization.

Martin Bangemann, secretary-general of the junior Free Democratic partner in the West German Government, was reporting to a press conference here after a visit by a party delegation to Egypt, Syria, Jordan, Lebanon and Iraq.

Mr. Bangemann is not a member of the Federal Government, but is one of his party's leaders. Earlier this year he headed a similar delegation to Israel. He said yesterday that almost all the Arab leaders he spoke to were prepared to accept the existence of Israel.

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THE FAMILY

Premier Rabin speaks to residents of Kiryat Shmona after yesterday's Katyusha attack there. (24-Plus)

'COMPULSORY ARMY SERVICE TOO'

Dayan wants Israel Arabs to be fully integrated

By SRAYA SHAPIRO
Jerusalem Post Reporter

RAMAT GAN. — Former Defence Minister Moshe Dayan would like to see the complete integration of Israeli Arabs, including compulsory military service; but he also supports the Arabs' natural propensity to a "political Palestinian entity outside the frontiers of Israel — though not necessarily in the Judea, Samaria and Gaza regions." Mr. Dayan gave this view in his last lecture in a series of nine at Bar-Ilan University yesterday on the relations between Israel and the Arabs.

Dayan took the floor after Kamal Tibi of Tayiba outlined the position of the Arabs who stayed in Israel, insisting on full integration and giving Arabs responsible positions in all walks of life, including the administration.

Dayan said Israel's Arabs had not chosen to live in a Jewish, Zionist state, "a fact which imposes special responsibilities on us. "They want to have free access to the Arab world and they want to be associated with a Palestinian entity — but they want to remain in Israel," Dayan said, summing up talks he had with many Arab notables. "No responsible Arab leader considers that Samaria, Judea and Gaza could form a state. There is nothing which links Nablus with Hebron. If Bethlehem or Ramallah were to have the choice between joining a "Palestinian" state or keeping their association with Israel-held Jerusalem, there is no doubt they would opt for Jerusalem," Mr. Dayan said.

Asked why he did not introduce military service for Arabs when he was Defence Minister, Dayan said: "I was a member of a democratic government and was in a minority." Even such a great man as Ben-Gurion insisted on maintaining military government in Arab areas, "though I consider it insane." Dayan added, "the only area in which I was allowed to act almost as I wished was in relations with the inhabitants of the areas."

Radio engineers cut service

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Israel Radio went off the air from 7.30 to 9 a.m. yesterday as broadcast engineers walked off their jobs to attend workers' meetings.

The engineers—employed by the Communications Ministry—discussed their demands for prompt payment of the "specific pay increment" already approved for other ministry workers — mainly postal personnel. The postal workers won the increment (ranging from three to 12 per cent of their pay) because they use more than one language in the course of their work and are often asked to do tasks other than their specific assignment if there is a manpower shortage.

A ministry spokesman said last night that the engineers had not obtained the increment because work agreements were to be renegotiated next January and the government did not wish to upset any of these before then.

Strike threat by water workers

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The 4,000 Mekorot (water company) workers are threatening to go on a three-day warning strike from Sunday because their demands for higher wages and benefits have not been met.

The workers say there will be no shortage of water during their three-day strike, and that they will continue to work as usual for the security establishment.

Mekorot said yesterday that it had appealed to the Histadrut to mediate in the dispute. The company said the workers were demanding a "professional specialization" allowance, ranging from IL87 a month to IL192 for different grades of workers. The increases deviate from the Histadrut's wage policy, the company claimed.

Amal teachers in army-pay protest

TEL AVIV. — Teachers in the Histadrut's Amal vocational high schools will stage a one-day warning strike Sunday to protest the decision to reduce the pay given to teachers doing reserve duty.

In the past teachers on reserve duty were paid a full salary, with overtime pay. Now the management of the schools has decided to pay only as much as the law demands.

Army to help cut down on absenteeism

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The army, when calling up reservists for a one-day stint, will in future arrange for the men to report only after five p.m. so as to avoid a day's work being lost. This is one of the decisions announced yesterday by the Ministerial Committee on Work Efficiency.

Labour Minister Moshe Baram told of other efficiency-boosting steps to cut down on absenteeism. Sick pay and income protection insurance payments will now be taxable as many people stay away from work because their net income when incapacitated exceeds their regular income.

In another anti-absenteeism move, witnesses subpoenaed to court will be given a specific hour at which to appear. At present all witnesses are told to be in court at 8.30 a.m., although they may not be called to take the stand until late in the afternoon.

2 policemen, 3 others remanded in Eilat theft

TEL AVIV. — Three additional suspects who, together with two Eilat policemen allegedly stole goods from the southern port's warehouses, were yesterday remanded for 15 days by the local Magistrates Court.

Yigal Katabi, Eilat's head watchman; his brother, Yoav; and a third suspect, Zvi Erez, allegedly stole hundreds of thousands of pounds worth of goods from the port. Police claim the Katabi brothers broke into the warehouses and that Erez, who is the brother-in-law of an Eilat policeman, received the loot in his Tel Aviv clothing store.

Two Eilat policemen, Shlomo Zamir, and Hananya Ben-Ezra, were remanded the day before on charges of complicity in the break-ins and thefts in the port area. *(Itim)*

Freight cars derailed

HAIFA. — Two freight cars of a phosphate train going from Dimona to Ashdod were derailed and overturned because of a technical fault yesterday afternoon. The accident occurred near Kiryat Gat. Train services on the Beersheba line were suspended while repairs were being carried out.

Israel hoopsters meet Czechs in European tourney

By PAUL KOHN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Israel plays Czechoslovakia in the opening match of the European Basketball Championships at Karlovac in Yugoslavia on Saturday night. The second half of the game will be televised live from 9 p.m., but the radio's First Programme will relay a running commentary of the entire game, from 8.15 p.m.

The Israel team was yesterday on its way to Yugoslavia from Belgium, where it won its last warm-up game 100:82 against Antwerp on Wednesday night. It was the Israel squad's fifth win in five games in Belgium.

Israel is in Group B of the European Championships, together with Czechoslovakia, the USSR and Poland. In group A are Italy, Turkey, Yugoslavia and Holland; and in group C Rumania, Greece, Spain and Bulgaria.

On Sunday Israel plays Poland; and, on Monday, Russia. The second half of the game against Poland (from 9.50 p.m.) and the entire game against the USSR (from 8.15) will be televised live.

Israel and Egypt 'even'

(Continued from page One)

believe Kissinger would actually resume "shuttle diplomacy," although he is said to be ready to make one final visit to Cairo and Jerusalem to put the finishing touches on an accord already virtually agreed upon by both sides.

The Administration, while anxious to have a foreign policy success in the Middle East, is determined to avoid another embarrassing failure, and Kissinger will not return to the area unless he is practically certain of success.

There is some feeling among informed observers here that the State Department has been voicing optimism about another interim agreement in order to put additional pressure on Rabin to agree to the Egyptian terms. Relations between Washington and Jerusalem have been severely strained since the last round of shuttle talks broke down at the end of March.

In the interview, Dinitz was asked whether he regarded Ford and Kissinger as having tilted towards the Arabs since those talks collapsed. "Well, I would not call it a tilt against Israel," he replied. "But at the same time I would not hesitate to say that we were not happy with all the direct and indirect criticism that we had here and there about our position."

Dinitz made these other points in the interview:

- A Geneva conference will probably not be convened until the fall, "but that of course will depend on what, if anything, can be done before to advance a partial agreement or an interim agreement under American auspices."
- Prime Minister Rabin appointed Aluf (Res.) Ariel Sharon in an "advisory capacity... specifically on military matters." Dinitz had been asked whether Israel could afford to have a "super hawk" at the Prime Minister's elbow at this delicate time.

"Gen. Sharon excels as a general and as a military man, and the Prime Minister probably thought it would be advisable to have his knowledge on military matters nearby to him," Dinitz said. "That by no means suggests either a change of policy or any role of determining policy except (by) the duly constituted bodies in Israel, and that is the Cabinet and the Knesset."

- Reports suggesting that Israel promoted the pro-Israel letter sent by 76 Senators to the President "are groundless." Dinitz suggested the letter had been conceived by the Senators as a way they could have some input into the reassessment.

'Israel Bank policy fuels inflation'

By GIDION ESHET
Jerusalem Post Economic Reporter

The Bank of Israel has been successful in limiting monetary pansion, thereby contributing to flation, economic experts belie

According to the latest figures economic indicators published by bank, means of payment in January-April period of this increased by 14 per cent, rea IL10,000m. on May 21. (The m of payment is a combination of rency in circulation, funds in ing accounts and short-term posits.)

In the same period, the C Living Index increased by on per cent, and the Gross Na Product by about 1.5 per ce real terms. When the mea payment increases more than C-o-L Index — under full em ment conditions — it contribu inflation, the experts said.

Eliezer Sheffer, Director-Ge of the Bank of Israel, told Th *rusalem Post* earlier this week the bank's policy is to h the means of payment by s less than the increase in the bined figure (the CoL and GNP).

The latest figures, however, dicate this policy has not been cessful.

When the increase is more 15 per cent in a 12-month pe the Governor of the Bank of Is is required to make a special port to the Government and to Knesset Finance Committee. Governor Moshe Sanbar did just last Friday reporting on the No ber-February period, when the m of payment rose by 17 per cent

J'lem shop to close Sunday in tax protest

By AARON SITTNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Several hundred Jerusalem are expected to be closed on day, as the Merchants Associ pushes its drive to have the reduce the business tax.

The one-day "strike" was yesterday at an emergency me at association headquarters on hov Ben-Yehuda. The action latest response to the municipal crackdown on retailers who not paid their 1974/75 tax and first instalment on this year's

Last week city tax collec armed with seizure orders swo down on several downtown shop confiscate merchandise in lieu unpaid taxes. In each instance of fellow merchants closed on the shop to block the city w era. Five merchants were arre on Sunday, and only the police sence prevented violence.

On Wednesday, about 30 chants staged a sitdown strike City Hall. One of them — an e ly woman — was injured in head when police ejected the chants in the evening.

The city, admitting its might be considerably higher those of Haifa, has rejecte merchants' offer to pay 40 pe more than their Haifa counter The city has also turned do Merchants Association sugg that an impartial arbitrator r a "fair" tax rate.

Yesterday, Mayor Kollek in five of the recalcitrant bus men and asked them to tone the association's anti-tax camp He offered to have the City surer re-examine each merchant bill and reduce it if the esti were found to be excessive. Fu more, the merchants would ha the end of this year to pay up back taxes, he said.

However, when the five merc reported back to the associa emergency meeting, Kollek's la was rejected and the o closedown was announced.

10th anniversa of execution of Eli Cohen

By SARAH HONIG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

BAT YAM. — At a memorial on the 10th anniversary o Damascus execution of Israel genious super-spy, Eli Cohen, Minister Yitzhak Rabin yes described him as "a valiant who fought silently and mously and whose heroism wa posthumously revealed."

The Prime Minister did not, ever, react to an appeal ma him earlier during the cere by Mayor Yitzhak Walker, on him to award a posth Medal for Valour to Eli Cohe also to decorate posthumous Etzel and Lehi members wh on British gallows, as well Prisoners of Zion executed in and Iraq.

Also taking part in the cere were Police Minister Shlomo and District Police Commis Nitzav David Ofer.

Eli Cohen was a Bat Ya sident after he arrived in in 1957 after years of unde work as an aliya activist native Egypt. His wife and ch still reside here.

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Knesset findings on energy 'impossible to implement'

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Proposals by the Knesset Economic Committee on energy problems have been criticized by an expert as "impossible to implement."

After five months of meetings with all the institutions and individuals concerned with energy problems, the committee decided to recommend "placing emphasis on the importance of oil supplies from the Abu Rodeis oilfields to the Israeli economy; increasing the allocation of funds for oil drilling in Israel; hastening the establishment of nuclear reactors to solve Israel's energy problems; and checking the profitability of a channel from the Mediterranian to the Dead Sea, using the differences of height to produce electricity."

Haim Barkai, professor of economics at the Hebrew University, told *The Jerusalem Post* "the committee's proposals are too broad and do not answer the most fundamental question — which of the above ways to produce energy or combination of them should be chosen and what resources should be devoted to the selected method?

"As long as no quantitative evaluations are given, the conclusions are meaningless," Prof. Barkai said. Furthermore, the committee tended to overemphasize the supply of energy rather than suggest means of curtailing demand. If, for instance, it had recommended to increase the price of electricity for industry and agriculture — which are today below the price paid by households — extensive savings would have been achieved.

Barkai also found some of the conclusions to be contradictory. "The committee suggests placing more emphasis on preserving the environment and at the same time increasing production of energy, which is highly polluting."

The members of the committee also seem to disagree on the priorities of energy production. In an interview with *The Post*, Eitan Livni, MK (Likud), favoured investment in nuclear reactors, while Micha Harish, MK (Labour), thinks that oil drillings should be encouraged. They both said the conclusions "were of a general nature." All the same, the committee demanded that the Government report within three months as to enacting the conclusions.

Elevators struck: T.A. City Hall workers, public climb the stairs

By SARAH HONIG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Elderly, ill and pregnant municipal employees yesterday morning went home soon after reaching City Hall. They could not get to their offices because all elevators were paralyzed by a strike of maintenance workers. The majority of workers, however, faced the challenge and climbed up the stairs, in some cases up to the 12th floor.

The 24-hour work stoppage was declared in solidarity with 15 temporary cleaning women, who are being dismissed as part of the city's effort to find the money to pay all of its employees their salaries this month.

The cleaning women have not worked since Sunday. Many schools and kindergartens are also not being cleaned up as part of the protest.

Some members of the public with pressing business to take care of at City Hall braved the situation and took to the staircases, but much grumbling against the employees was heard. The employees said they reserved one elevator for emergency use. However, no notices to that effect appeared anywhere.

The one casualty of the day was an employee who usually works on the 11th floor and who had not long ago undergone open-heart surgery. Although warned not to try the climb, she did and passed out in the attempt. She was rushed to Ichilov Hospital.

The city spokesman called the strike "unjustified," terming the dismissals "perfectly legal." He told *The Jerusalem Post* that the union had turned down a city offer whereby some of the women would be given alternative employment in schools and city branch offices.

City Hall circles told The Post that this latest strike is just another phase in the union's undeclared war against the Likud administration of Mayor Shlomo Lahat. Mayor Lahat had been warned when he took office at the beginning of 1974 that he would find the union uncooperative.

Firm can't call new sweetener 'enriched sugar'

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Health Ministry has ordered the Mata company to stop labelling its new sweetener, Sucaron, as "enriched sugar" — because it is a mixture of sugar and saccharine.

As a result of the order, the company will remove the misleading words from Sucaron labels and from its printed advertisements as well. The 200-gram jar is being sold for IL4.80, and is claimed to have less than one-tenth of the calories of regular sugar.

"Ma'ariv" reported yesterday that Sucaron is 98 per cent sugar and 2 per cent saccharine by weight — and that 10 per cent of its sweetness comes from sugar and 90 per cent from saccharine.

Litman Mor, director of food control services at the ministry, said that "enriched" means that a food is fortified by vitamins or minerals, such as Vitamin D added to milk or margerine. No product which is supplemented by sugar or saccharine can make that claim. He added that it is the policy of his ministry to encourage the public to consume fewer calories, including less sugar, and not to substitute saccharine. "There must be less sweetness," he said.

The Sucaron label, to which was attached a small plastic spoon indicating that less of the product is needed for sweetening foods than sugar, says it contains 2 per cent crystalline saccharine. But full-page newspaper advertisements make no mention of it. The marketing of the product is allowed in Israel, as saccharine has not been ruled dangerous to health. If various research work results in the banning of saccharine from the U.S. supermarket shelves, then Israel will follow suit, it was learned.

Abandoned baby dies in hospital

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The day-old baby girl who was found in the garden of an apartment in Jerusalem's Bayit Vegan quarter on Wednesday died at Hadassah Hospital yesterday.

The baby, her umbilical cord still attached to the placenta, was brought in serious condition to the hospital after residents of the building heard her cries.

The police are looking for the mother, who may be ill following the birth.

The grinning father and child coming down this emergency chute from the second floor of a "bombed" building were willing subjects in a course held for Civil Defence (Haga) officers at an army base. In a demonstration marking the end of their course yesterday, the Haga men used pneumatic cushions capable of lifting up to five tons of fallen masonry or concrete. They also showed a sensitive new instrument capable of detecting injured buried deep under debris. The O.C. Haga, Tat-Aluf Yitzhak Zaid, told his men to be ready "to meet the most difficult conditions regarding civilian casualties." (Michael Freidin)

Begin outlines five-point peace, security programme

By SRAYA SHAPIRO
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Likud leader Menahem Begin yesterday proposed a five-point programme for security and peace. He was speaking before Tel Aviv University students and answering their questions.

The five points were complete cessation of armed conflict; direct negotiations leading to a peace treaty; the Arab nation in Israel to receive cultural autonomy; Arabs to receive the right to opt for citizenship, including the right to election for Knesset membership; solution of the refugee problem — those in Israel to be given work and housing, those in Arab countries to be looked after by the governments of those countries.

Begin said Israel's gesture this week in reducing its forces in Sinai was wasted, since President Sadat openly deprecated it in his speech at the opening of the Suez Canal yesterday. He also came out against demilitarization schemes and foreign guarantees, saying that they had never worked anywhere.

Mr. Begin said that if the Likud should win the greatest number of Knesset seats in the next elections, he would invite all Zionist parties, except the Communists, to join it in setting up a national unity government. *(Itim)*

200,000 sign 'Keep Jerusalem Clean' petition

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Petitions said to bear the signatures of 200,000 Jerusalemites who have pledged to help keep their city clean were presented by a delegation of schoolchildren yesterday at a symposium held in the Israel Museum to mark International Environment Day.

Uri Marinov, head of the Environmental Protection Service, said the past year had been marked by an increasing awareness of the environment by the general public and official agencies. He noted that environmental units had been established by four municipalities and that more planned to do so.

A national pollution-monitoring network had been launched and environmental considerations had begun to penetrate into physical planning, he added.

Abba Eban, MK, called for increased public education about the environment. He warned, however, against "environmental hypochondria," in which exaggerated alarm could lead to a backlash against scientific progress.

Interior Minister Yosef Burg and Yosef Tamir, head of the Knesset Interior and Ecology Committee, also spoke.

The creation of two prizes to be issued on future Environment Days was announced by Haim Kubersky, Director-General of the Interior Ministry. One will go to an industry which has made efforts to preserve the environment, and the other to a journalist.

CORRECTION

Owing to a technical error, an article in yesterday's paper on Moshe Sanbar, Governor of the Bank of Israel, declared that Yehoshua Bension had contributed to the National Religious Party. This is incorrect and should not have been stated.

Cricketers for S. Africa event

By JACK LEON
Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — All-rounders Noah Davidson and Mike Mohnblatt have been selected by the local Cricket Association as Israel's representatives in the South African annual double-wicket cricket competition, to be held in Johannesburg this September.

Davidson, 41, who comes from India, and Mohnblatt, 30, ex-Londoner both played in senior cricket teams before settling here. In the three-day Johannesburg event they will play against some of the world's most renowned cricketers, among them the Australian brothers Ian and Gregg Chappell, Rev Congdon and Glenn Turner of New Zealand, and England's Tony Grieg.

Meanwhile, cricket's first World Cup gets under way in England tomorrow. Participants in the event, which will last a fortnight, are East Africa, England, India, New Zealand, Australia, Pakistan, Sri Lanka and the West Indies. South Africa has been banned because of racialism in cricket there.

Opposition swells to plans to rebuild J'lem's Fast Hotel site

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The plan to build a new hotel on the site of the former Fast Hotel opposite the Old City walls is stirring a groundswell of opposition among planning and environmental circles in Jerusalem on the grounds that it will block off one of the best views in the city and create a traffic bottleneck.

Leaders of the Council for a Beautiful Israel and student representatives are to meet today to discuss a demonstration next week against the planned hotel. This will be the first public manifestation of a concern which has been voiced with increasing frequency in public meetings and informal conversations among planners since the Fast was demolished two months ago.

"It was a crime to destroy the Fast," said a participant in a symposium on preservation of historic sites last month, "and it will be an even bigger crime to build another hotel on the site now that it's open."

It was the view suddenly opened by the demolition of the Fast which caused senior municipal and government planners to have second thoughts about the wisdom of building up the site again. Although expressed hesitantly at first because of the knowledge that heavy compensation payment would be involved in any scrapping of the hotel, these views are now being voiced with an increasing tone of militancy. "We've got to stop them before they create facts on the ground," said Ya'acov Dash, chief planner of the Interior Ministry, at a recent planning meeting. The promoters of the hotel say they have actually begun construction, although there is still little evidence of it on the site.

Zahal Square, on which the site fronts, has become the busiest intersection in the downtown area; and opponents of the hotel contend that construction of the hotel would — in addition to the visual impact — impede future traffic solutions. "To close off the site is just stupid," says Prof. Arye Shahar, an authority on urban geography from the Hebrew University and head of the Jerusalem branch of the Council for a Beautiful Israel. The eventual cost of building vehicular tunnels beneath the new hotel will be far greater than any compensation that would have to be paid now to the hotel promoters, he said.

David Margolese, head of the master plan transportation team in Jerusalem, said by 1990 it would be necessary to tunnel 10-15 metres beneath any building built on the site to provide a public transportation route required by that date. If no building were built, a tunnel would still have to be built — but only one or two metres below street level. His main objection, however, was environmental — the fact that the hotel would close off the view.

Mendel Knoll, one of the owners of the proposed hotel, said in an interview last week that he had no intention of abandoning his plans. He notel that he already had approval from all the relevant planning authorities and said the hotel will be completed in two years. "It won't disturb the view or the traffic," he said. "Its intended for religious Jews who will be able to walk to the Western Wall on Shabbat." Any road plans for the area, he said, "will have to adjust themselves to the realities" — namely his hotel.

Knoll has already turned down purchase offers for the site from Karta, the government municipality company charged with developing the adjacent Mamilla site. Karta's head, Knesset member Eliezer Ronen, said construction of the proposed hotel would prevent execution of a plan to convert Jaffa Road into a pedestrian way from Zahal Square to Jaffa Gate. Under that plan, traffic would be siphoned away from the Jaffa Gate area through a tunnel opening into Rehov Koresh at the rear of the hotel. If the hotel is built, however, the tunnel could not be built and half the distance from Zahal Square to Jaffa Gate would be an open road, Ronen said.

The proposed hotel, which will have a dark glass facade, is to be no higher than the two-storey Fast had been, but there will be an additional two storeys underground.

After 7 years' work...

Jewish Qtr. plan presented to public

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Work on the Jewish Quarter reconstruction is half complete after some seven years' work, but the plan for the quarter is now for the first time being officially presented for public comment.

District Commissioner Rafi Levi said Wednesday the plan should have been presented for deposition long before, but the delay was partially explained by the necessity for careful surveys of the damaged buildings in the quarter, to determine which could be preserved. Members of the public who consider themselves affected by the plan can raise objections during the next two months with the District Planning Commission.

The plan calls for a residential neighbourhood containing 2,600 permanent residents in 630 apartments, and 1,400 students in dormitories of yeshivas and other educational facilities. Vehicles will be barred from the quarter except for service carts especially designed to weave through the alleys.

The planners acknowledge that there will not be enough playground space in the quarter for children up to the age of 10, and no playground space at all for older children. It recommends that such space be provided in the national park being developed outside the city walls.

The plan calls for preserving the character of the quarter and limiting the scale of the buildings. All existing domes are to be preserved, as are many of the archaeological remains which have been uncovered, both Jewish and Christian.

Of the 145,000 square metres of floor space to be built in the quarter, 75,000 will be residential, 55,000 institutional and 15,000 commercial, most of the latter in shops serving tourists. The plan calls for an underground car-park with room for 650 cars beneath the large open space on the southwestern end of the quarter. This would be reached by a tunnel beneath the city wall from Mount Zion.

Opposition to the underground terminal was voiced by several members of the District Planning Commission, who maintained that parking should be outside the walls. The terminal proposal was therefore removed from the plan for further study.

Another change inflicted by the District Commission was removal of a planned 150-room hotel on the terminal site. The commission felt a commercial hotel was ill suited to the character of the quarter and recommended instead small hostels of 20-30 rooms. Plans for a second hotel in the quarter were scrapped by the Company for the Reconstruction of the Jewish Quarter some time ago in favour of more apartments.

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SOUTH WEST AFRICA ANNOUNCES APARTHEID LAWS ABOLISHED

WINDHOEK (AP). — Officials in South West Africa announced yesterday sweeping measures to abolish apartheid throughout the territory. New legislation will provide for the admission of all races to hotels, restaurants and cafes and the removal of "whites only" and "non-whites" signs on all public buildings.

Dirk Mudge, a member of the ruling Executive Council, announced the changes before the all-white Legislative Assembly here.

Mudge said the Executive Committee had decided on the changes after a report by a study group appointed to investigate racially irritating laws in the territory. Apartheid laws were brought to South West Africa by South Africa which controls the mineral-rich territory under a mandate no longer recognized by the United Nations.

South Africa has promised to grant the territory, also known as Namibia, independence as soon as the territory's 12 major ethnic groups meet at a conference to decide South West Africa's constitutional future.

South West Africa's population of 850,000 is made up of several African tribes, Coloured groups and the ruling minority of 105,000 whites.

Mudge said existing legislation would be altered "as soon as possible" to provide for the changes. He said it would be up to the owners of hotels, restaurants and cafes to decide whether they would cater to all racial groups.

He said owners of hotels and restaurants who decide to accommodate all races will be able to display a prominent sign outside their businesses stating that all races are welcome. Owners who do not display such signs, however, would be required under certain circumstances to accommodate all races anyway, Mudge said.

Mudge said discriminatory signs would be removed from public buildings as quickly as possible.

The announcement marks the latest major effort to eliminate what has become known as "petty apartheid" in South Africa.

Significantly, officials in Windhoek, the capital, recently told visiting foreign correspondents that in some ways South West Africa is a "trial run" for South Africa itself. The move was viewed by observers in South Africa as yet another step in South Africa's campaign of detente to win friends in black Africa and ease racial tension in the area.

At the United Nations, the Security Council met again yesterday for further debate on the future of South West Africa.

In the session on Wednesday, the African bloc backed away from demands for mandatory sanctions against South Africa and heard one of its most powerful members endorse negotiations with the Pretoria government about the territory.

A declaration by the U.S. that it does not consider South Africa's refusal to surrender the 138,000-square-mile territory a "peace-and-war crisis" in which sanctions could be invoked by the Security Council, led African delegates to reconsider a draft resolution yet to be presented for action.

Like French Ambassador Louis de Guiringaud, U.S. Ambassador John Scali called for another attempt to negotiate with South Africa about the territory which the United Nations has decided it holds illegally under a League of Nations mandate.

This Council has already been served notice that the provisions of Chapter VII (the UN Charter authorization of sanctions) will not be applied against South Africa," Foreign Minister Okoi Arikpo of Nigeria said in the fourth day of debate.

Arikpo interpreted the remarks of the two Western powers as presaging a repetition of last year's British-French-U.S. simultaneous veto to oust South Africa from the UN if sanctions were demanded.

The Africans have not yet submitted a resolution. Informed sources said that in a private meeting on Wednesday the opinion trend was away from military or economic embargoes. Council President Abdul Karim al-Shaikhly served notice earlier in the week that he hoped to end the debate today.

Clad in the uniform of Supreme Commander of the Egyptian Navy, President Sadat welcomes 14-year-old Reza Pahlevi, son of the Shah of Iran, during opening ceremonies of Suez Canal in Port Said yesterday. The Shah has pledged $1,000m. for developing the canal area. (AP radiophoto)

Zorza on Jackson tactics

LONDON (JTA). — In a detailed analysis of Senator Henry Jackson's tactics, the well known Kremlinologist Victor Zorza wrote yesterday in the "Guardian" that "the new offensive against Moscow now being prepared by Senator Jackson's staff could prove to be even more damaging than the attempt to make the Kremlin release its Jews in exchange for trade benefits."

Noting that the Senate investigations sub-committee, of which Senator Jackson is chairman, is to launch soon a series of hearings on US-USSR economic and trade relations, Zorza expressed the view that these hearings could play havoc with the excited sale of US technology to the USSR.

He quoted Jackson's aides as saying that they have uncovered evidence showing how the Kremlin is extracting industrial and military secrets from the US while giving virtually nothing in return.

Observing that the Soviet Union will be unable for a long time to join the front ranks of the world's most advanced industry, Zorza concludes: "The question posed by Jackson is whether the West should help it merely in exchange for promises. The danger is that if on the other hand the Kremlin is pressed too far, it may forgo the benefits, as it did in the case of the trade agreement."

Fell five floors into mother's arms

SAKAI, Japan (Reuter). — A three-year-old boy who fell from the window of a fifth floor apartment on Wednesday was safely caught by his mother who was walking past below.

Mrs. Toshiko Hatanakawa, 32, was outside the apartment building when she spotted her child fall. She dashed several metres and managed to catch him before he hit the ground.

McGovern rules out step-by-step line

By WOLF BLITZER
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — Sen. George McGovern (D.-S. Dakota) believes that the step-by-step negotiating process in the Middle East cannot succeed unless a "General outline of a final settlement is made clear.

In a report on his recent trip to the area released yesterday, McGovern, chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Subcommittee on the Near East, said that the basic elements of such an overall settlement should include the Arab states' "recognition (of) and normalization of relations" with Israel, which should return to the pre-1967 borders "with practical modifications negotiated by the parties."

McGovern spent three weeks last March visiting Egypt, Saudi Arabia Lebanon, Jordan, Syria, Israel and Iran.

In the 37-page report to the committee, he calls for "international guarantees" and "additional assurances of security" such as demilitarized zones and international police forces to strengthen an overall agreement.

In addition to these provisions, he said that Israel is entitled to "solid and precise military guarantees" from the U.S.

The McGovern report cites the "inescapable reality of the Palestinians... If the Arab states and the PLO publicly offer Israel full recognition and normalization of relations, then Israel should do no less with respect to Palestinian self-determination."

McGovern, the first U.S. senator to meet with PLO leader Yasser Arafat, does not recommend formal U.S. recognition of the PLO, but does suggest that the U.S. now declare its readiness to engage in discussions with the PLO "with the express proviso that the PLO publicly repudiate all future acts of terrorism."

He said that Israel should express publicly and explicitly its "recognition of the existence of a Palestinian people, and of the right of that people to choose their own political future — either as an independent state or in a federation with Jordan — in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip."

The U.S. has a "vital interest in the survival and security of Israel as an independent state," the senator, who was among the 76 senators who signed a letter supporting Israel last month, added. "Every country and group should understand that this interest will not be made hostage to economic, military or diplomatic pressure."

But he warned that maintaining the status quo represents a "perilous course for Israel... A settlement, not the status quo, is the best hope for the survival and prosperity of Israeli and Arab alike."

Arab summit postponed

CAIRO (UPI). — The Arab summit conference scheduled for June 28 at Mogadishu, capital of Somalia, has been postponed indefinitely, an Arab league spokesman said yesterday.

He said 11 countries — an absolute majority of the 20-nation League — and the Palestine Liberation Organization approved a Sudanese proposal to put off the summit until after an African summit conference scheduled for late July at Kampala.

The spokesman said the secretariat advised member nations officially of the postponement on Wednesday.

A new date will be set later in consultations between member nations and the secretariat, he said.

OIL. — The Governor of Iran's Central Bank said in Teheran yesterday the oil cartel should raise prices on crude oil 30 to 35 per cent in September to recover losses in the purchasing power of their earnings.

Atmosphere improved, Peres says

PARIS (AP). — Israel Defence Minister Shimon Peres said here yesterday "the political atmosphere between Egypt and Israel has improved."

Talking to newsmen upon arrival here, Peres said the re-opening of the Suez Canal was important for all the countries of the Middle East.

Peres, who will meet with French Defence Minister Yvon Bourges, said he has not come to France to inquire about buying arms, but to visit the Paris air show and, study French technological innovations in all areas.

Peres also told the conservative newspaper "L'Aurore" that he will discuss with Bourges "all subjects," possibly the purchase of French military hardware.

Peres later told a French television interviewer that "Israel has no intent to make a war or to attack either the Suez Canal, or Egypt and its cities."

When asked to comment on President Sadat's reference to the Canal as a "strategic zone," Peres said: "If Egypt should start a war, they would make an error. This is an error that we have decided not to make. In fact, I agree with Sadat that war does not solve the problem."

The minister also said he considered Sadat as "the most important Arab chief of state. Now, he speaks of peace. At this stage, there are more words than acts. Time will prove if these statements are serious. If they are, then President Sadat will have greatly contributed to his people and to the future of the region."

"Our great hope," he added, "is that the reopening of the Suez Canal should mark a political change, and not only an economic change."

Cornfeld charged in L.A. for telephone fraud

LOS ANGELES (AP). — Playboy financier Bernard Cornfeld, who spent 11 months in a Swiss prison after his mutual fund empire collapsed, was indicted on Wednesday by a Federal grand jury on charges of attempting to make free overseas phone calls.

The three-count indictment said Cornfeld used a "blue box" electronic device to place about 343 overseas calls from telephones in his Beverly Hills mansion. The device is often used by "phone freaks" to defraud the telephone company.

The U.S. Attorney's office said Cornfeld directed several of his women employees to use the "blue boxes" to place overseas calls at a cost of about $1,000 a month to Pacific Bell Telephone Co. over a four-month period.

Cornfeld, once considered a financial and promotional wizard, built Investors Overseas Services (IOS) into a giant conglomerate controlling $2.5 billion and a 15,000-person worldwide sales force in the 1960s.

Cornfeld's personal fortune was estimated at more than $200m.

IOS crumbled in early 1970 and was turned over to Robert Vesco, a financier who is now accused by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission of looting the company of $224m. in assets. Vesco, a fugitive, is now living in Costa Rica.

Cornfeld was released on $1.6m. bail from the Swiss prison on April 5. He returned to Los Angeles and said he planned to revive an IOS subsidiary and find a publisher for a book he wrote in prison.

Cornfeld was charged with fraud and swindle in the IOS collapse, but the charges were dropped and the bail applied to lesser misdemeanour counts, including inciting to speculate in Switzerland.

Nazi criminal given freedom temporarily

BERLIN (UPI). — West Berlin justice authorities yesterday temporarily released former Nazi SS Obersturmbannfuehrer (lt.-col.) Alfred Filbert, who was serving a life term for war crimes, from Tegel prison because of ill health.

A West Berlin court in 1962 convicted Filbert of complicity in the murder of at least 6,800 Soviet Jews, and sentenced him to life imprisonment.

A Justice Department spokesman said the prosecutor's office ruled Filbert's temporary release after medical examination had shown that Filbert's failing health did not permit to keep him in a jail cell.

Senate rejects bid to cut U.S. forces abroad

WASHINGTON (UPI). — The senate yesterday rejected by voice vote an amendment by liberals that would have required 200,000 American troops to be withdrawn from overseas.

Sen. Sam Nunn, Democrat-Georgia, said the amendment by Sen. Mike Gravel "would wreck the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, demoralize Japan and force the United Stated into isolation."

Sen. Barry Goldwater opposed the troop cuts on grounds American military forces already were being withdrawn from posts in Asia.

"I can assure the Senator there will be no American troops in Thailand after six months," Goldwater told Gravel.

Goldwater said the air force bases at Utapao and Udorn in Thailand were being closed "this week, leaving only three bases there. One remaining base has a collection of the most highly sophisticated communications equipment anywhere on earth. We cannot allow that equipment to fall into the hands of the enemy," Goldwater said.

Goldwater said that in the wake of the Indochina collapse to Communist forces, "this is the most dangerous time this country or the world has seen. The world is fraught with danger. If we give one hint that we are returning to isolationism, smaller countries will probe to see how far back we will go.

"We are faced with one of the gravest dangers of war in Korea," Goldwater said. "The North Koreans are backed by China and they have a peasant army that is determined, something which we are not," he said.

On Wednesday, the Senate defeated efforts by liberals to put a $28.8 billion ceiling on spending for new weapons and to reject a programme to increase the accuracy of the nation's atomic missiles.

Hussein to Abu Dhabi

BEIRUT (UPI). — King Hussein of Jordan ended a two-day visit to Qatar yesterday and flew to Abu Dhabi, the Qatari news agency said.

Hussein's stay in Qatar was preceded by a visit to Riyadh where he held talks with King Khaled of Saudi Arabia and Crown Prince Fahd Ibn Abdel Aziz.

GOV'T MEDIA ATTACKS SOCIALIST

'Maoists planned to kill Lisbon junta'

LISBON. — The small far-left Maoist party, hundreds of whose members were arrested last week, planned to assassinate members of Portugal's military hierarchy, security officials said yesterday.

A statement issued by the military security force said the Maoist Movement for the Reorganization of the Party of the Proletariat (MRPP) planned "the physical elimination of officials of the armed forces movement."

The statement also accused the MRPP of "subversion of military units and attempts at division within the armed forces," and of hoarding arms.

Until more than 400 of its members were arrested a week ago, the MRPP had waged an increasingly vocal campaign against Portugal's leftist military regime. In frequent street demonstrations and meetings, the Maoists attacked "military dictatorship" and its arch rival — the Communist Party.

A much more powerful rival of the Communists — the Socialist Party — was attacked yesterday by two government-controlled newspapers, for allegedly trying to sow "diversion, division and confusion" in Portugal's revolution.

The editorials in "O Seculo" and "Diario d'Noticias" added fuel to an internal political crisis renewed by a Socialist threat to pull out of the military-civilian coalition cabinet unless the party's newspaper "Republica" reappears by tomorrow.

A previous ultimatum from the party, the nation's most popular, gained a promise from the ruling armed forces movement that the paper would be back in circulation this week. But the go-ahead has not yet come.

One of the nation's only non-Communist dailies, "Republica" was ordered closed on May 20, after Communist printers refused to work unless the Socialist editorial policy was changed.

In Paris yesterday, the French Government pledged to support Portugal's efforts to develop its economy and draw closer to the European Common Market.

President Valery Giscard d'Estaing assured visiting Portuguese President Francisco da Costa Gomes that his government would back Portugal's request for an extension of its trade agreement with the European Economic Community, including loans and technological assistance. (AP, UPI, Reuter)

All quiet in Beirut

BEIRUT (UPI). — Beirut was quiet yesterday for the first time since fighting flared on May 19 between Palestine terrorist forces and Christian Phalangists. A total of 129 people have been killed in the clashes and 309 wounded.

Traffic flowed freely in all parts of Beirut yesterday, and people thronged the streets in the shopping and business sections of the city.

Security forces patrolled the city with orders to remove all barricades and to shoot anyone who resisted.

It was reported yesterday that nine persons kidnapped by rival political groups during the week had been released.

Premier-designate Rashid Karami yesterday continued efforts to form a new government. He told reporters he was hopeful a new government would be formed soon, but evaded questions about the composition of the new cabinet.

He faces strong opposition from the Socialists over the inclusion of the Phalangists in the new government, but he stressed his determination to form a cabinet "acceptable to all parties."

Political observers believe it could be weeks before a cabinet is formed.

Chess player Keres, 58

MOSCOW (AP). — Paul Keres, a Soviet chess grandmaster, died of a heart attack in Helsinki, Tass announced. He was 58.

Keres was stricken on the way home from. Canada where he was playing in a tournament. Keres was three times Soviet champion and four times won the World Chess Olympiad.

Keres also won the European championship three times and during his career won more than 2[illegible] international tournaments, Tass said.

Referendum issue mars Cyprus talks

VIENNA (Reuter). — UN Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim yesterday opened a new round of Cyprus negotiations, faced by a walk-out threat from Greek-Cypriot leader Glafkos Clerides.

"I believe that it is essential to maintain the negotiating process and not to allow the search for a settlement to lapse, even if we are fully aware that the time may not as yet be ripe for a breakthrough, Waldheim said.

He appealed to Clerides and Turkish-Cypriot leader Rauf Denktash "to make the necessary concessions and compromises," so that the latest phase of the talks could become "a meaningful step towards peace and understanding in Cyprus."

Clerides said he would walk out of the five-day talks if Turkish Cypriots hold their scheduled referendum on Sunday on a constitution for the Turkish Cypriot state established in the Turkish-occupied north of the island.

Denktash told newsmen, "The referendum will be held. There is no way to stop it."

The referendum, main stumbling block of the resumed talks, had been scheduled for May 18 but was postponed after the U.S. opposed it on the grounds it might freeze the division of Cyprus and block negotiations.

Clerides said a second postponement was out of the question.

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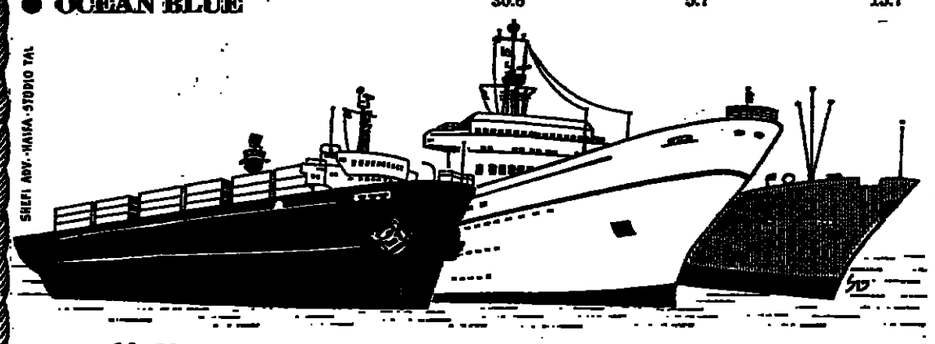

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In cooperation with the University of Haifa.
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Tel Aviv Museum,
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JERUSALEM,
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HAIFA,
Thursday, June 12, 8 p.m.
In cooperation with the University of Haifa.
Step Building, Auditorium 320
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TEL AVIV,
Sunday, June 15, 8 p.m.
Tel Aviv Museum, Recanati Auditorium,
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Tel Aviv Museum,
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Basques seize train, kill guard; Paris says Spain violates border

MADRID (UPI). — Two Basque guerrillas yesterday commandeered a train near San Sebastian, machine-gunned its two-man police guard and ordered the engineer to stop at a point where a getaway car was waiting beside the tracks.

One Civil Guard policeman was killed and the other seriously injured.

In Paris on Wednesday, a French Government minister accused Spain of sending police across the border to track Basque nationalist refugees.

The train incident yesterday marked the escalating violence in Spain's northern Basque provinces, a centre of separatist and anti-government activity, where the government has partially suspended civil rights and declared a news blackout. Six policemen have been killed in the Basque region in nine weeks.

Meanwhile, riot police guarded key points in Madrid yesterday, where government sources reported about 100 arrests in an attempt to quell Communist-inspired wildcat strikes and student demonstrations on Wednesday.

In the town of Burgos, five Basque separatists including a Capucine monk went on trial yesterday before a military court charged with anti-government terrorism. In closed door proceedings, the prosecution asked that three of the defendants be sentenced to 25 years in jail, Capucine monk Juan Bautista Lasa to 20 years and a fourth defendant to eight years.

The early morning attack on a San Sebastian to Bilbao electrical commuter train was carried out near the village of Anorga.

According to government sources, the two guerrillas, suspected members of the outlawed separatist group Basque Homeland and Liberty (ETA), boarded the train with other passengers.

Pulling guns from under their coats, one of the guerrillas fired a burst of machine-gun fire at the two police guards that ride on every Basque train. The other held up the engineer and told him to proceed full speed to a point where a getaway car was waiting for the gunmen.

Hundreds of police fanned out in a search for the two Basques.

The incident brought the number of policemen, guerrillas and civilians killed in Basque political violence to 53 in the past seven years. Earlier this week, a German tourist died of a gunshot wound which she suffered when police opened fire on her car, because she failed to stop at a roadblock near San Sebastian.

France's blunt charges against Spain were made in Parliament on Wednesday by Interior Minister Michel Poniatowski, who demanded that France lodge a strong protest in Madrid against the "inadmissible" behaviour of Spanish security authorities.

Poniatowski said he has instructed French security forces along the sensitive frontier with Spain to stop any Spanish police agent who would try to slip into France in disguise. Poniatowski also condemned Basque nationalists from launching guerrilla actions against Spain from French territory. He warned that Spanish refugees violating French hospitality with political acts will be expelled forthwith.

Poniatowski took the floor after the left-wing opposition groups and French newspapers had charged that Spanish policemen or youthful Spanish ex-convicts hired by police in exchange for lighter sentences have been operating illegally on French territory to keep track of Basque nationalists in the Biarritz and Bayonne border areas.

Poniatowski made a quick inspection trip to the French Basque region a few days ago, after some press reports charged that Spanish police agents have checked the identity of some persons in the area at pistol point. Other reports said Spanish commandos of the Christ King (Cristo Re) extreme-rightwing movement have been responsible for recent bomb attacks against Basque nationalists in France.

Christ King members recently burned a number of French tourist automobiles in Spain, warning they would carry their war against Basque nationalists into France which, their leaders had charged, was a sanctuary for ETA and other militant Basque guerrilla movements responsible for the 1973 slaying of Premier Luis Carrero Blanco and other assassinations.

Relations between France and Spain have been frequently strained in recent years over Spanish accusations that France is not tough enough with nationalist and anti-Franco groups among the hundreds of thousands of Spaniards, remnants of the Republican Army, who crossed the frontier into France after their defeat in the Civil War in 1939.

Philippines seen ending ties with Nationalist China

MANILA (AP). — The Philippines has recalled Ambassador Ismael Lapux from Taipei and asked Nationalist Chinese Ambassador Liu Chieh to leave the country, at the same time, diplomatic sources said yesterday.

The move, the first toward a formal end of 26 years of relations between Manila and Taipei, will take place next week when President Ferdinand Marcos goes to Peking to normalize diplomatic relations with Communist China.

Peking had insisted that the Philippines break all ties with the Nationalists before establishing them with the mainland government.

Liu was expected to leave Manila before June 11, when relations between Manila and Peking will be announced on the final day of Marcos' five-day visit. The sources said ambassador Lapux was seen in the Foreign Ministry here on Wednesday.

Spokesmen for the Foreign Ministry and the Nationalist Chinese Embassy were unavailable for comment. But informed sources said the Nationalist Chinese embassy here and the Philippine Embassy in Taipei were preparing to close within two weeks.

Claudio Chiacchierini, 11-year-old son of a Rome industrialist who had been kidnapped 18 days ago, embraced by his mother after his release on Thursday on payment by his family of 1,000m. lire ($1.6m.) ransom. (AP radiophoto)

Italian vermouth magnate freed, woman kidnapper killed

ACQUI TERME. — Police yesterday freed an Italian vermouth magnate, who was kidnapped on Wednesday night, after a gunfight in which three carabinieri were wounded and one woman kidnapper was killed.

The carabinieri found Vittorio Gancia, 45, who was seized at gunpoint from his car near his home at Canelli, in a small cell at a farmhouse near Acqui Terme.

As they approached, his guards — a man and a woman — hurled hand-grenades at them and opened fire with automatic weapons.

Gancia, ambushed and kidnapped by four armed and masked persons outside his castle, was the 25th victim this year of Italy's flourishing kidnap industry. Eleven persons are still in the hands of their abductors.

Until recently it was believed that many of the abductions in Northern Italy were the work of a mafia-linked gang dubbed "Kidnaps Ltd." But it is now believed that political extremists may also be involved, using kidnapping as a method of fund-raising.

The Gancia case came only a day after the release in Rome of an 11-year-old boy whose family was reported to have paid 1,000m. lire ($1.6m.) to get him back. The boy, Claudio Chiacchierini, had been held for 18 days. *(Reuter, AP)*

Korean censorship

SEOUL (AP). — The South Korean Government tightened censorship of movies, drama and other entertainment media yesterday in a campaign against what it called "decadent trends."

The Ministry of Culture and Information instructed the semi-official Korean Arts and Culture Ethics Committee to strengthen screening of all stage productions as well as pop songs and recordings.

MISSILE. — The Soviet Union is believed to have test-fired its largest nuclear SS-18 intercontinental missile with multiple warheads for the first time in about a year, the U.S. Defence Department said yesterday. The test was made on Wednesday.

Steps towards reunification

HANOI'S HOLD ON SOUTH GROWS

(George Esper, chief Saigon correspondent for the Associated Press, left South Vietnam yesterday on orders of the new government. He filed this dispatch after arriving in Vientiane, Laos.)

VIENTIANE (AP). — North Vietnam's top leadership flew to Saigon last week for major decisions on the governing of South Vietnam, according to knowledgeable sources in Saigon. A report of the meeting, held a month after the surrender of the American-backed regime, was cabled from Saigon by this correspondent on May 28 but never reached the outside world, apparently because of censorship.

There has been speculation that a speedy reunification of North and South Vietnam is being worked out. A de-facto reunification is already under way, with North Vietnamese forces controlling most of Saigon and handling key positions on the Military Management Committee. The committee also includes members of the Provisional Revolutionary Government, the South Vietnamese body which has been governing Saigon since the takeover on April 30.

The leading members of the Revolutionary Government were seen in public during the three days of the victory celebrations, which began on May 15, and have since virtually disappeared from view.

The Paris Agreement of January 1973 called for reunification of Vietnam to be carried out step by step through peaceful means on the basis of discussion and agreements between North and South Vietnam. The date of reunification was to be agreed upon by North and South Vietnam.

The North Vietnamese leaders said to be in Saigon more than a week ago included the three chief members of the Politburo: Le Duan, First Secretary of the Central Committee of the ruling Vietnam Workers' Party in Hanoi; Truong Chinh, chairman of the National Assembly Standing Committee; and Premier Phan Van Dong.

General Vo Nguyen Giap, Defence minister, Vice-Premier and North Vietnam's chief military strategist, who is the fifth ranking member of the Politburo, was seen in Saigon more than a week ago.

Giap has reportedly been ill and his presence in Saigon underscored the significance of the gathering. The Politburo members returned to Hanoi sometime after May 28.

The North Vietnamese are clearly evident in Saigon. Uniformed troops can be seen walking in formation in the main sector of the city. The flags of both the Provisional Revolutionary Government and North Vietnam fly together at equal height over the former Presidential Palace, now Military Management Committee headquarters, and other buildings.

While photographs of PRG leaders have not been displayed, a life-like photo of Ho Chi Minh, the late North Vietnamese President, hangs over the Presidential Palace and is prominently displayed in all business establishments.

North Vietnam appears to have begun paving the way for reunification.

The mail and cable service has been resumed between North and South for the first time since 1954, and about 6,000 workers have been assigned to repair railway lines in South Vietnam so that they can be linked with the North.

Saigon ousts Vatican and French envoys

SAIGON (Reuter). — The French ambassador and the Vatican's representative left here yesterday on orders of the revolutionary government. The reasons for their requested departure were not immediately given.

They departed for the Laotian capital in a North Vietnamese plane carrying 90 foreigners, the third evacuation flight out of Saigon since the PRG took the city on April 30.

French ambassador Jean-Marie Merillon, invoked diplomatic privilege at the airport so that his baggage would not be inspected. But airport officials said it was necessary for security reasons. A protocol officer stood beside Merillon as his cases were technically opened — a customs officer slipped them open, gave a quick glance inside and closed them.

The Vatican's Apostolic delegate who was asked to leave, Msgr. Lemaitre, had been criticised by some Vietnamese priests and Saigon's Catholic community for his appointment of a nephew of late South Vietnamese President Ngo Dinh Diem to a key post in the Saigon archbishopric.

President Diem, a Catholic, was overthrown by an army coup in 1963.

SPORTS ABROAD — BERNIE BERNIKER

Mexican wins net tourney

RAUL RAMIREZ, Mexico's 22-year-old rising star, beat Manuel Orantes of Spain in a three-hour marathon on Monday, 7-6, 7-5, 7-5, and won the $16,000 men's singles title in the Italian Tennis Open in Rome. It was the Mexican's first major tournament triumph.

Ramirez, who staged the two major shocks of the tournament by beating Swedish top seed Bjorn Borg and Rumanian third seed Ilie Nastase, played brilliantly at the net end was incredibly fast around the court.

Ramirez had a slow start, but then overwhelmed the Spanish southpaw with a solid and steady performance from the base-line in interminable exchanges and with superior play at the net.

The Mexican emerged as the winner by taking the big points in the crucial moments of the otherwise tight and thrilling match. The Mexican showed cool nerves and tremendous consistency, never giving Orantes a chance.

The Spaniard, the 1972 champion and a finalist again in 1973, played well, but he could do nothing against what the Italian crowd has dubbed the "Mexican perfection machine."

The men's championships had been delayed a day by a driving rain on Sunday.

TRACK

JOHN SMITH equalled the world indoor record for the 440-yard dash on Saturday night, when he covered the distance in 47 seconds during an International Track Association professional meet, in Atlanta, Georgia.

Smith's time equalled the world record set in 1968 by Larry James. It also broke Jame's professional indoor record of 47.2 seconds. James finished second in 47.1.

Earlier in the meet, former olympic champion Dave Wottle smashed the world professional indoor record in the 880 with a time of 1:48.6.

Ben Jipcho captured his 41st professional victory in the mile run, leaving the field with a time of 3:56.3, only one-tenth of a second off his own professional record.

Also in the meet, Rod Milburn tied his own world record of 6.7 seconds in the 60-yard high hurdles.

HOCKEY

BOBBY HULL, who set a pro hockey record for most goals in a season last year, has been named the World Hockey Association's Most Valuable Player by a three-point margin over Andre Lacroix of San Diego. Hull scored 77 goals in 78 games for the Boston Bruins in the 1970-71 season. Hull and his Winnipeg teammates Ulf Nilsson and Anders Hedberg also set a record for most points by a line with 362.

In other awards, Hedberg was named Rookie of the Year over Chicago's Gary MacGregor; Quebec's J.C. Trembley was the choice as top defenseman; Edmonton rookie Mike Rogers was tabled over Hull as the Most Sportsmanlike Player and Phoenix's Sandy Hucul was named Coach of the Year.

It marks the fourth time in Hull's 18-year career that he has been named a league MVP. He was the National Hockey League's MVH twice and also won the award in the inaugural year of the WHA.

BASEBALL

HIGHLIGHTS — Don Sutton became the first pitcher in the major leagues to win 10 games when the Dodgers beat Montreal 6-5 on Tuesday night. League leaders are: Batting-NL-Watson, Houston, .349; R. Smith, St. Louis, .343. Al-Carew, Minnesota, .390; Lynn, Boston, .352. Pitching-NL-Kison, Pittsburgh, 5-1, .833, 2.90; R. Jones, San Diego, 7-2, .778, 1.67. Al-Ruhle, Detroit, 5-1, .833, 2.83; Blylevan, Minnesota, 5-1, .833, 3.80.

Baseball standings after Wednesday's games

NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST	W	L	Pct.	GB
Chicago	27	21	.563	—
Pittsburgh	25	20	.556	½
New York	23	20	.535	1½
Philadelphia	26	23	.531	1½
St. Louis	22	25	.468	4½
Montreal	16	27	.373	8½
WEST				
Los Angeles	32	22	.593	—
Cincinnati	30	22	.577	1
San Francisco	25	23	.521	4
San Diego	25	27	.481	6
Atlanta	23	30	.434	8½
Houston	20	34	.370	12

AMERICAN LEAGUE

EAST	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	36	29	.578	—
New York	34	24	.500	3½
Milwaukee	33	24	.489	4
Detroit	31	33	.477	4½
Cleveland	30	36	.455	6½
Baltimore	19	28	.404	8
WEST				
Oakland	30	20	.600	—
Kansas City	30	21	.588	½
Minnesota	23	22	.511	4½
Texas	24	25	.490	5½
California	24	27	.471	6½
Chicago	22	27	.449	7½

CRICKET

FAST BOWLER John Snow of Sussex has been recalled by England after two frustrating years out of test cricket.

Snow is included in the list of 14 players the England selectors have named for the Prudential World Cup series of one-day international matches beginning tomorrow.

The series pits the world's eight best cricketing nations, with the exception of the banned South Africans, against each other in 60-over matches.

England, India, New Zealand and East Africa are in group A, while Australia, the West Indies, Pakistan and Sri Lanka meet in group B.

Winners and runners-up in each group meet in the semi-finals and the final will be played at Lord's on June 21. Tomorrow's opening matches are England vs. India at Lord's, Australia vs. Pakistan at Old Trafford and New Zealand vs. East Africa at Edgbaston.

The England side: Mike Denness, captain, Dennis Amiss, Geoff Arnold, Keith Fletcher, Tony Greig, Frank Hayes, John Jameson, Alan Knott, Peter Lever, Chris Old, John Snow, Derek Underwood, Barry Wood and Bob Woolmer.

GOLF

STEADY HALE IRWIN, maintaining at least a two-shot edge throughout the day, fired a closing four-under-par 68 on Sunday and captured the $225,000 Atlanta Golf Classic with a 72-hole score of 271.

The 17-under-par total over the hilly, picturesque 6,883-yard Atlanta Country Club course erased by one shot the tournament record set two years ago by Jack Nicklaus, who saw his string of two straight victories snapped by Irwin, the 1974 U.S. Open champion.

BOXING

MUHAMMAD ALI said he will beat Joe Bugner in his next title defence because "if a white man whipped me, I couldn't walk the streets of America. I couldn't go to Harlem," said the heavyweight champion at a news conference to formally announce a closed-circuit championship tripleheader, topped by his fight against European champion Bugner, of Britain in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, on July 1.

The fight probably will start about 10 a.m. Malaysian time. And the other two fights, which will take place on June 30 in Madison Square Garden, will be a middleweight title fight between champion Carlos Monzon of Argentina and Tony Licata of the U.S., and a light heavyweight title bout between champion Victor Galindez and Jorge Ahumada, both of Argentina.

Half Onassis fortune goes to charity

ATHENS (UPI). — Half the fortune of the late shipping tycoon Aristotle Onassis, one of the world's richest men, will be spent on public welfare projects. This was announced yesterday by Christina Onassis, 24-year-old heiress of the multi-millionaire, in a brief statement given through her lawyer in Piraeus.

Christina said she will establish a public welfare foundation "for the purpose of founding and assisting public welfare programmes which my father expressly desired." She said the foundation, to which "half of my father's estate shall be consecrated" will be established at Vaduz and other places.

In Vaduz, a Liechtenstein government spokesman said he believed there would be no problems in setting up a charitable foundation. Under Liechtenstein law, a non-profit foundation is liable to pay an annual tax of only 0.1 per cent of the capital. The tax declines to 0.05 per cent for assets totalling more than $4m.

According to Greek shipping experts, Onassis was worth anything between $500m. and $1,000m.

They said that before his death Onassis had claimed $67m. for the sale of Olympic Airways and owned 5.2m. tons of shipping. These included 56 ships of which 45 were tankers and the rest bulk carriers.

Christina, the same sources said, has also inherited her father's land development projects in the U.S., valued at $44m., industrial enterprises worth $118m. and industrial, banking and transportation assets in Europe totalling $587m.

According to one estimate, Onassis' estate was worth $547m. with $459m. mortgaged.

Stelios Papadimitriou, Christina's legal adviser, said the public welfare projects Christina envisions will start within the foreseeable future. "The foundations will include educational institutions, hospitals and other charitable organizations," he said.

Papadimitriou said nothing about Onassis' will, but sources close to the family said he left his entire estate to his daughter. They said he had allocated $3m. to the former Jacqueline Kennedy at the time of their marriage, thus excluding her from his will.

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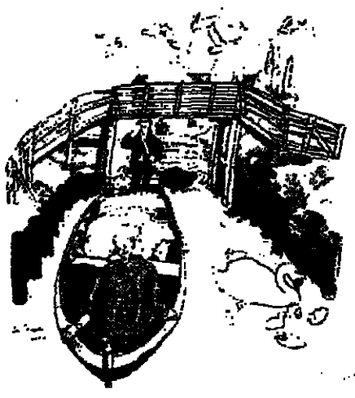

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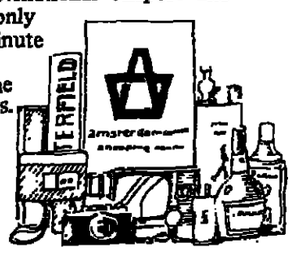

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Thirties and forties fashion for today's look

By Marja Wolska

A YOUNG husband-and-wife team that went into business two years ago — just about when things began to get difficult — is now working to capacity producing a fashion line which is lively but not giddy, bright but not flashy. Headquarters of "Kav le Kav" are in a walk-up flat in Tel Aviv's far-from-swinging Rehov Nahlat Benyamin, but the labels being stitched into dresses there read, among others, Nieman-Marcus. Local shops carrying Kav le Kav include Iwanir, Maskit, and the Shalom Stores.

Filling an ever-present need for clothes to suit women who are no longer teenagers, the Kav le Kav styling just happens to suit, as well, what is wanted today by girls who are just out of their teens. In other words, the tastes expressed by Michael and Miki Shapiro (who are "Kav le Kav") happen to fit in with today's look, which is far from the hopped-up extremes of a few years ago. The new mood is generally described as "thirties and forties" but its manner has been thoroughly assimilated by today.

The firm's first success started with cotton and banlon tops, developed into a line of dresses, including maxis, made in serious, no-nonsense cotton with a firm body, the trick here being in touches of appliqued patterns. The further trick is that the colours and designs of the applique were selected with great sophistication, a long way, in other words, from the bunny-on-the-bib of children's styles.

Hanging in the workroom, a line of these maxis in rich chocolate-brown — with appliqued-by-embroidery touches in pale yellow and stripey-pinks — was being readied for export. A version for a local shop puts the applique on a loose Chanel-length sarafand, perfect for sultry days at home (price here, around IL220).

Other examples include trim little dresses of knitted jersey — the kind which, in the thirties, one did indeed go on waring for years; a square-necked flowing black Banlon made for a local celebrity which caught everybody's eye. For a boutique chain in the United States, there is an easy-to-wear suit in beige gabardine, whose skirt is comfortably loose, the jacket stiched and belted with big buttons. To go with practically everything there is a line of multi-tucked blouses of voile in big-city shades (rust, ink-blue, and so on) which come with long sleeves, short sleeves, no sleeves, or cape sleeves that would do beautifully over long skirts. This last is one of the few cases in which imported fabrics are used, and the voile in question, cotton with polyester, is from America. "The local version just wasn't quite soft enough," says Michael.

But, adds Miki, "we work mostly with local fabrics for two reasons. First — because we're here; and by and large we have absolutely no complaints about local fabrics. On the contrary. Second — because, being here, we have more direct contact and control over the fabrics we use." And this, after all, is what serious fashion design is all about: merely importing rolls of elegant material from abroad and stitching them up is not the most creative — or economically valid — operation in the industry.

If you average them out, Michael and Miki each account for three generations in the country. But this is the danger of statistics, for actually Michael is a new immigrant who came here from America 10 years ago at the age of 22. Miki is a sixth-generation sabra, "for which," she says with a smile, "absolutely no credit is due to me personally." After studying at the Hadassah-Seligsberg Vocational High School and the Bezalel Academy, she showed an unusual flair for textile design and, as Miriam Melitz, developed a reputation for a vivid design talent.

Michael, who also studied at Bezalel, is as "integrated" an immigrant as one could hope to find; also, a lively and enterprising, but feet-on-the-ground one. "We'd like to go into men's clothing too. I've designed my own things for many years now, but as I've said, we're working to capacity right now.""

A Kav le Kav suit in simple gabardine.

Kav le Kav is another in a series of shining examples of how very hard work together with indisputable talent can make for success even in the face of the world's marketing difficulties. In this case, because the firm is only beginning, it will be interesting to watch its progress. Meanwhile, Michael and Miki work from early morning to late night, each contributing designs to the line, each contributing to the other's achievements.

New on the Market

A SOFTLY GLOWING SUMMER

FOR A SOFTLY GLOWING summer, "Persian Roses" make up Helena Rubinstein's new lipstick shades, in three versions: Shiraz (deep rose); Tabriz (golden rose), and Ispahan (rosy deep beige). With these lipsticks, all described as "super moisturizing, super shiny, and super protecting," the co-ordinated make-up is in the spirit of the fragile, feminine, floaty new fashions.

Helena Rubinstein's "Persian Roses" look is to be had by using the right "Soft Beige" shade of Liquid Foundation, "Amber" or "Peach" Glow Stick, and for the eyes, a careful shading of the new quiet colours of the firm's Eye Shadow Kit. Personal instruction on these and other Rubinstein make-up items are available without charge at the Helena Rubinstein Beauty Education Centres in Tel Aviv and Haifa; Jerusalem women will have to rely on their local cosmetic shops.

East German film about life in a ghetto rejected by Moscow

By LESLIE COLITT
BERLIN (OFNS). — A POIGNANT new East German film set in an East European ghetto under the Nazis is to be shown at the West Berlin Film Festival next month after being rejected by the Moscow Festival.

The situation is unusual for the German Democratic Republic which normally is able to anticipate Soviet moves in politics and culture.

"Jacob the Liar," a full-length production of the GDR's Defa film company and East German television, has been acclaimed by East Germans as the best post-war German film. Moscow, however, will not allow the film to be shown in the Soviet Union, presumably because of official Soviet sensitivity about its Jewish theme.

The reason the GDR has continued to back the film is conjecture, but film-makers in the GDR believe the authorities are hoping for a cultural coup in the West after having achieved world-wide political recognition. At the film's recent première in East Berlin, the attendance of a ranking Politburo member, Werner Lamberz, indicated the film had the support of the East German Communist Party.

Its rejection by the Russians took place after a screening before Soviet film officials. The East Germans were baffled when told the subject was untimely, but soon heard another view from a group of well-known Soviet film directors visiting the GDR. After seeing the film they were enthusiastic and then pained to hear that it was to be barred from Soviet film theatres.

"Jacob the Liar" was rejected once before, nine years ago, when the East German film director Frank Beyer ran into trouble with the Party over ideological questions. The film script's author, Jurek Becker, who was himself a child in a Polish ghetto during World War II, went on to write a novel that became a best seller in the GDR and also won him literary prizes in West Germany.

The story is a very simple one of an elderly Jew, Jacob Heym, who lives in one of the many ghettos of Eastern Europe in the latter part of the war. During an interrogation in a German guard house, Heym overhears a radio report from which he gathers that German forces have retreated before the Russians to a town called Bezanika. The freeing of the ghetto cannot be far off, he reasons.

Returning to his friends, Heym tells them the news, but with a twist. In order to make it more plausible — for who would believe that he had emerged unscathed by the Nazis after hearing this informations? — Heym says he heard it on his forbidden radio which he had kept hidden from the Germans. Word spreads quickly and Heym becomes one of the few sources of hope for inmates of the ghetto.

What is the latest from the front? What is Churchill saying? Is it true a Jewish State is to be founded after the war? Heym has the fitting answers to all these questions, frequently asking a tongue-in-cheek question in return. This is one of the rare films to come out of the GDR that has humour despite the inherent tragedy that unfolds. In one scene Heym, behind a curtain of his room, convulses his audience with his imitation of a crackling short wave radio broadcast of a children's hour programme to demonstrate his non-existent radio to the little girl who lives with him.

The very moving final sequence of the film has the inhabitants of the ghetto still clinging to Jacob Heym's hopeful white lies while collecting their most valued possessions for what is to become their last journey by rail. No one who sees the film can easily forget the innocent jumps of joy of the little girl when she learns they are to leave on a train ride, happily chanting "We're going on a trip, we're going on a train trip."

The author, Jurek Becker, says the backing for the film is a credit to the "understanding of the GDR." His next work is a novel on the life of a Jew in East Germany.

DANCE

FLASH OF FLAMENCO FIRE

SPANISH DANCE performed in genuine and glittering style could be very popular in Israel, to judge from the solo programme presented by Silvia Duran (Tzavta Club, Tel Aviv, June 1). She could have filled a stage twice the size with her wide-sweeping dances — and drawn an audience more than twice the size.

In six dances, she showed the graceful elegance of classical Spanish movement, the seductive innocence of regional folk rhythms and the fiery virtuoso qualities of true flamenco. Her Zapateados in the final "Alegrias" would have brought "olé" from any Spanish audience. Indeed this Jewish girl from South Africa has made a remarkable career for herself in Spain.

Even without the encouraging cries and clapping that accompany Spanish dancers, Silvia Duran created the excitement of the flash of flamenco fire. Her superspeed heel-tapping made its own music. Her superbly handled long-tailed skirt and eloquent arm language brought the house down.

In dances from Valencia and Navarra, dressed in the appropriate regional costumes, she also commanded the lighter, more volatile verve and daintier dynamics of the country spirit. In this new set of toe and ankle movements, her style was gay and engaging in an altogether different way.

Silvia Duran opened her programme with a dramatically classic solo in which, from finger tips to heel taps, from castanet clicking to high kicks, the rhythms were supple, sinuous, strong, yet always maintaining aristocratic poise.

A dance of her own devising, inspired by "the epoch of the Marannos" began with the lighting of candles and offered a more sentimental and lyrical view of her art. Here she "travelled" across the stage in smooth, gliding motion or in swift, romantic turns.

Least successful was the "Farucca," a flamenco dance that women have in recent years taken over from the men — as also the traditional male costume. It had the right self-consciousness that Spaniards cultivate in dance. Yet it needed the taut-spring and rapier-slim line of the Spanish male dancer to make it convincing.

Nevertheless, the whole performance had the expert and projective character that makes Spanish dance rousing. *D.S.*

Pop singer Demis Roussos here on June 16

By IAN A. WIENER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

DEMIS ROUSSOS, who has sold a phenomenal 80,000 records here in Israel, will arrive in the country on June 16 to give a handful of concerts in Jerusalem, Tel Aviv and Haifa. The 29-year-old pop star, who was born in Egypt of Greek parentage, sings mainly in the Cat Stevens/Nana Mouskouri tradition, blending genuine Greek rhythms and tunes with modern English lyrics.

Originally lead singer with the European-based group, Aphrodites' Child, Demis split in late 1971 to follow a solo career. His most famous song, "Forever and Ever," from his second album of the same name, has sold over 3 million copies worldwide.

Luna Park at Ramat Aviv

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — With the children soon to begin their two-month vacation from school, the question arises of what to do with them. One solution, though a little costly, is the "Luna Park" amusement park at the exhibition grounds of Ramat Aviv.

The park has been given a face lift, with the stands painted in bright carnival colours. Several new installations, such as a "western" type mini-railroad, have been added. There are also pony rides.

The parents can ride in the pista-fast cars while the children play in the smaller bumper cars. One can also watch the daredevil antics of a group of motorcyclists.

The amusement park has all the standard components, such as a giant ferris wheel, carousels, shooting gallery, and even cotton candy.

The public relations officer of the park, Giora Kroband, told *The Jerusalem Post* that during the summer vacation the park on occasion will be open longer than the normal 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. on weekdays and from conclusion of Shabbat till 11 p.m. Discussions are now going on concerning the use of several park installations by summer camps. The management is also planning a "children's week" and will take part in the traditional "youth city" which takes place at the exhibition grounds every summer.

CINEMA

Well-known Italian mixture as before

The Seduction of Mimi (Gat, Tel Aviv) is a boisterous Italian comedy in the tradition of "Divorce Italian Style" and "Seduced and Abandoned" that ridicules Sicilian sexual and political morality and customs. It was written and directed by Lina Wertmuller, whose work has received great critical acclaim abroad, and this picture, the first of her films to come here, is certainly filled with tremendous comic energy and has many hilarious moments.

Mimi (Giancarlo Giannini) is the nickname of a Sicilian quarry worker who loses his job because he does not vote as the local Mafia wishes. So off he goes to Turin leaving his wife behind. He gets a job in a metal factory and falls in love with Fiore (Mariangela Melato), a girl he sees selling knitted goods on a traffic island.

She is an incessant talker and proclaims herself a Trotskyist and a virgin and swears Mimi to complete fidelity before she yields to him. A little son makes his appearance and then Mimi is transferred back to Sicily, taking Fiore and their child, disguised, with him. He is furious when he discovers that his neglected wife has in the meantime become pregnant by a customs officer. His honour demands revenge so he sets about seducing the customs officer's wife, a hefty mother of five, no easy task since actually he is appalled by the huge amount of flesh he has to conquer.

Giannini is fine as Mimi, alternately whimpering for love and blustering and strutting, abandoning his leftist principles when it is expedient, a ridiculous figure and yet rather touching as he is so obviously at the beck and call of forces he does not understand. Mariangela is a very warm, vital type of actress and is both attractive and laughable as the exuberant Fiore. In some ways the film is the well-known Italian mixture as before and at times it is rather difficult to follow but with the characterization of the two principals and the fast pace, most of it is great fun. *S.W.*

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TROUBLE WITH THE U.S.

Egypt's relations with the United States were aggravated by the 'phantom memorandum', by the complete silence that prevailed on their side after the Sterner mission, and then by a serious clash over what can be called 'the Randopolo affair'.

A few miles south-west of Alexandria at a place called Janaklis a large estate, almost exclusively devoted to the cultivation of grapes and the production of wine, had been built up by an enterprising Greek family called Pirakos. Tanashi Randopolo, whose parents had immigrated from Greece and become Egyptian citizens, was a senior employee on the estate and, when it was nationalized according to the socialization laws of July 1961, was kept on as manager. He was a man aged about sixty, of considerable charm and ability, who was twice elected to Parliament as deputy for the district, which was virtually a domain of the company. Most of the time he lived in the pleasant company rest-house built on the estate and showed himself an adept at public relations by the judicious distribution of wine, brandy, and fruit in the right quarters. Then, in 1970, he acquired new neighbours. Just beyond the boundary of the estate was an airfield, and it became one from which Soviet planes operated in defence of their Mediterranean fleet and of Egyptian positions in depth.

My own involvement in the affair began one day in September 1971 when I was in Alexandria and received an extremely agitated telephone call from Donald Bergus saying that the home of an American citizen in Cairo had been attacked by police using machine-guns and pistols. 'This is a very grave matter,' he said. I asked what this was supposed to have to do with me, and suggested that he should get in touch with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. His manner abruptly changed, and in a chastened voice he said, 'Yes, Sir,' and rang off.

He later, apparently, got through to Mahmoud Riad on the telephone, and though it was by then the middle of the night woke him up to say that an American's house had been attacked and an American citizen arrested. 'If this sort of thing is going to happen,' he stormed, 'I'm going to advise all Americans in Egypt, including those working in the oilfields, to quit because it won't be safe for them to go on living there.' A somewhat irritated Mahmoud Riad told him he knew nothing of the matter and recommended him to get in touch in the morning with Ahmed Osman, the legal adviser to the Ministry.

What in fact had happened was this: the CIA had got hold of Tanashi Randopolo and asked him to report to them on Soviet activities at the airbase. They were able to persuade him to act as a spy because he had a son who had emigrated to the States whom he was desperately anxious to help. Contact between him and the CIA was maintained through a girl called Miss Swain, who was nominally a secretary in the visa section of the American Consulate. Several months earlier the intelligence people had become suspicious of Tanashi Randopolo and had begun to shadow him. Three letters written in invisible ink containing information about the base were intercepted, and he was arrested at Agami. An American who was with him at the time produced evidence of his diplomatic status and was therefore allowed to go.

Miss Swain was less fortunate. After Randopolo had been arrested her superiors decided it was time for her to disappear. She had called at a friend's flat to say goodbye, and on her return home, after leaving her car in the garage, she was approached by two plain clothes intelligence officers. She tried to escape, but was caught, arrested, and taken to intelligence headquarters. Her flat was searched. Contrary to what Bergus had claimed, no arms of any description had been involved in either arrest or search. General Ahmed Ismail, Director of Intelligence at that time, had been careful to have the whole process of her arrest filmed, so that there should be no argument about what actually took place.

When Bergus had an interview with Ahmed Osman the next morning he still maintained that force had been used against Miss Swain. Ahmed Osman denied it. A full report, he said, had already been sent to the President showing that everything had gone smoothly. Miss Swain was in custody, and Tanashi Randopolo had made a full confession. Bergus then made the mistake of saying that General Ismail must have given the President false information.

When General Ismail heard this he immediately sent for the head of the CIA in Egypt, whose identity was of course known to him, a certain Eugene Trone, who had diplomatic cover as a member of the mission looking after American interests. Trone urged that the business should be cleared up with the minimum of fuss and pleaded for the girl's immediate release. When he got back to his office he wrote a letter to General Ismail of quite extraordinary frankness. 'I want to assure you,' he said, 'that any information we obtained through the girl did not go to Israel. It was only for the benefit of the United States. As a matter of fact, this was to the benefit of Egypt too, because it enabled the American Government, when Israel asked for more arms on the ground of the arms being sent by the Soviet Union to Egypt, to tell them that they were exaggerating. I want you,' he went on, 'to understand that Egypt is not the target in this espionage affair. As you know the United States and the Soviet Union are involved in a global confrontation. Here was a base from which the Soviets were operating, and we were naturally interested in what they were doing. We were spying on them and not on you.'

On his side, Ahmed Ismail was anxious not to let the affair get out of hand. Trone brought Bergus to see him, and Bergus made a complete apology. Poor man, all he had tried to do in Egypt appeared now to be in ruins, and during the interview he more or less collapsed. Miss Swain proved of tougher fibre. She refused to admit anything. The Americans used all their blandishments to secure her release, but President Sadat refused to sanction it until some months later. Tanashi Randopolo had from the moment of his arrest been in a state of almost complete collapse, and I was told later that he had died from a heart attack.

William Rogers with Egypt's former Foreign Minister Mahmoud Riad, in 1971.

Friction between Sadat and the U.S. developed late in 1971, when the Egyptians uncovered a CIA attempt to gain information about a Soviet airbase near Alexandria. This was followed by William Rogers' abortive effort to achieve an interim agreement, calling for a partial Israeli withdrawal in Sinai.

There was considerable fallout from the affair on the Russian side too. It seems that the Soviet base staff had at one time asked for all the surroundings of the runways to be planted with fruit trees to improve concealment, and Tanashi Randopolo had said that before he could arrange for this he must have a look at what was involved. They had flown him over the airfield in a helicopter, and a full report of his jaunt was contained in one of the letters found on him when he was arrested. He had also struck up a close friendship with three commanders of nearby Soviet missile batteries, who used to visit his home, and to whom he sent presents of wine and fruit. General Shazli was instructed to ask his counterpart, General Schwartzkopf, the Russian Adviser to the Chief of Staff, to withdraw the three missile commanders and to give orders that all Russian experts in Egypt should be forbidden to discuss with any Egyptians any subject unconnected with training matters.

Prepared to die for Egypt

On 15 September Vinogradov and I were having lunch together. He said there was a matter he would like to raise in a purely personal and confidential way. If Egypt asked three senior Air Force experts to leave the country, he said, it would have an immediate prejudicial effect on the work of all the other experts. None of them would believe for a moment that any of them could betray the mission with which they had been entrusted. They had come voluntarily to Egypt, and were prepared to die for Egypt. Marshal Gretchko and the whole Soviet army would take it very much amiss, particularly since no official investigation was apparently to be asked for. As for the proposed order limiting conversations between Soviet experts and Egyptians to training matters, it had to be remembered that the experts were human beings. It was perfectly legitimate to put a ban on any discussion of internal Egyptian politics, but to confine their talk wholly to training was too much.

However, at about the same time President Sadat told me he heard that some Russian experts had been putting highly political questions to the Egyptian officers they were working with: what did they think of the trial of the Ali Sabri group? What did they think of Sadat as President, and of General Sadiq? That, the President thought, was intolerable. When I told him about my talk with Vinogradov, however, he got in touch with General Sadiq and instructed him to cancel the order for the immediate expulsion of the three offending experts. Instead, when our investigation into the affair had been completed, the report was to be sent to the chief Soviet expert and it should be left to him to decide what action should be taken. When I reported this change of plan to Vinogradov he was a very happy man.

In one respect the Randopolo affair was particularly significant: it showed the working of that 'other channel' of communication between Egypt and the United States, which was to become increasingly important – the channel from President Sadat to our Intelligence, then to the CIA, and from them to the American National Security Council and Kissinger. It was to keep this channel open that President Sadat finally agreed to the release of Miss Swain.

Of course, this underground link effectively cut out the State Department, and the last days of September 1971 saw a final attempt by Secretary of State, William Rogers, to achieve agreement on the cherished American proposal for an interim settlement, and at the same time to drive a wedge between the Egyptian Presidency and Ministry of Foreign Affairs. In neither respect was it successful. The scene was a working lunch in the State Department. Present on the American side were, beside the Secretary of State, Sisco, Patterson, McClosky, the State Department spokesman, Atherton, liaison between the State Department and the National Security Council, and Sterner; and on the Egyptian side, Mahmoud Riad, Dr Zayyat, and Ashraf Ghorbal. Rogers started off by saying he was really puzzled about the attitude of the Egyptian Ministry of Foreign Affairs towards an interim agreement. From all the exchanges he had had with President Sadat over the last six months he had come to the conclusion that the Egyptian Government wanted an interim agreement 'as a practical way of starting the process towards peace'. Yet in an interview Mahmoud Riad had given on television the day before he had said: 'I don't understand what is meant by an interim agreement.'

Mahmoud Riad explained that he was genuinely not clear what the US really meant. It seemed to him that the United States was distorting President Sadat's proposal of the previous February (for opening the Suez Canal). What President Sadat had been suggesting then was a first phase in a process towards a final peace settlement according to Resolution 242. What the Israelis wanted, on the other hand, was a prolonged truce which would leave them in permanent possession of at least ninety per cent of the territory they had occupied in 1967. If the Americans thought that the opening of the Suez Canal should be the signal for Jarring to draw up a timetable for the complete withdrawal, within a period of six months, of Israel from all Arab territories, then Egypt agreed one hundred per cent. Rogers countered by saying that the United States simply did not think a final plan could be drawn up at this stage, and that was why they had been talking about an interim agreement. If Egypt insisted that Israel should acknowledge an obligation to withdraw completely from all the conquered territories then he had to state in all frankness that the United States had no means of convincing the Israelis of the need to do this or of imposing such an obligation on them.

Right to cross the Canal

The discussion continued along the same lines for some time. Mahmoud Riad tried to get some more precise information as to what the interim agreement was supposed to cover. Who would sign it? What would the UN's role in it be? How long would it last? In answer to this second question Rogers said it should contain a clause calling for revision after eighteen months. Would this mean, Mahmoud Riad asked, that after eighteen months, if nothing had been achieved, Egypt would have the right to cross the Canal and liberate the occupied territory by force? Rogers said that if there had been no progress Egypt would obviously then have the same right it had now – to do whatever it thought necessary for its own security.

The Americans kept going back to the advantage they saw in an interim agreement – that it would set a precedent for an Israeli withdrawal, that it would be a practical movement towards the end they all had in view. Mahmoud Riad pointed out that the Israelis had been made to withdraw from the whole of Sinai in 1957, so this would not be a precedent and he stressed the danger of allowing Israel once again to convert what was meant to be a temporary arrangement into a permanent one. Finally, Rogers said that the discussion had left him extremely depressed. He felt that Mahmoud Riad was saying he could not accept ninety-nine per cent of what he wanted and would hold out for one hundred per cent – no problem in the world could be settled on that basis. Sisco echoed Rogers by saying that if Egypt insisted on all or nothing it would end with nothing.

Some points of interest emerged from this otherwise unproductive meeting. One was that the Americans were still convinced Egypt was incapable of making any serious initiative on its own. At one point Rogers said: 'I can imagine you, my dear friend, Mr Riad, coming to the General Assembly at the age of seventy-five preparing the same speech that you have prepared this year and with the Egyptian position exactly as it is this year.' Another was that the State Department thought there was a divergence of view between the Presidency and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Egypt. This was probably based on a misunderstanding of something President Sadat had told Rogers when he visited Cairo. Talking of his 4 February speech and the proposal to open the Suez Canal he had said: 'Everybody was against it at the time, even Mahmoud Riad.' He was trying to convince the Secretary of State of the importance of the concession he had made, but of course once the speech had been made its contents had become official policy and were loyally supported by everyone in the Government.

It must have been because he thought this divergence was a real one, and capable of being exploited, that Rogers shortly after sent a direct message to President Sadat which was aimed at discrediting Mahmoud Riad. In this he said that Mahmoud Riad had been jumping to conclusions about the interim agreement. He had accused the United States of wanting to make the interim agreement an end in itself, and seemed unable to understand that it was really the beginning of a practical effort towards a final settlement. Mahmoud Riad, he said, had wasted a lot of time discussing semantics, but the Americans were going on using the expression 'interim agreement' because it was one used by all the other nations and to them it seemed quite precise. It meant, he thought, exactly what the Egyptians had in mind too – practical arrangements of a temporary nature that could lead to other stages of progress towards a final settlement. But Rogers showed his continuing misunderstanding of the Egyptian position when he referred to President Sadat's 4 February speech as containing 'a proposal for an interim agreement which we consider an imaginative and constructive step', whereas of course President Sadat had been talking about the first step in a planned programme for final settlement, each stage of which was to be agreed within a specified period. At any rate, after this lunch meeting Rogers and Mahmoud Riad ceased to have any active part in negotiations over a Middle East settlement, which were conducted thenceforward between Kissinger and Hafez Ismail, Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs, or between Kissinger and President Sadat himself.

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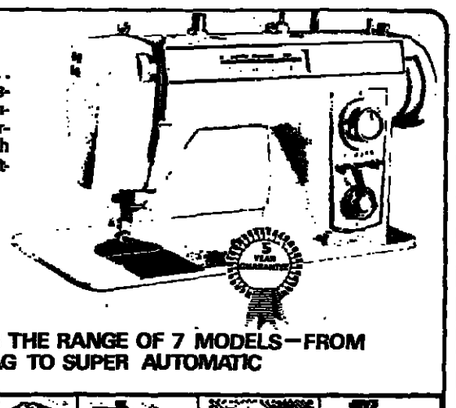

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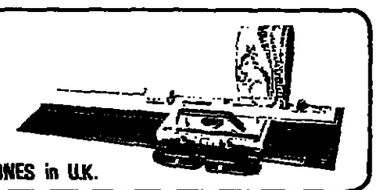

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MUSIC

A soldier, a prophet and a violin concerto

"HISTOIRE DU SOLDAT" is, according to the authors, (Ramuz and Stravinsky) a "story, told, acted, and danced." To the best of my knowledge, it is only now being presented in Israel in its original form.

Omri Nitzan has staged a highly professional performance, fast-moving, concentrated, flawless, convincing in all its aspects, and absorbing in all its details.

As the narrator, Misha Asherov, wisely kept within controlled limits, not overacting yet always maintaining interest with his lively narration, while the centre of interest focussed on Satan (Yosef Shiloah) and the Soldier (Ezra Dagan). These two filled their parts splendidly, in speech as well as in movement. The choreography was by Moshe Efrati who handled his small company of dancers and the two actors with great skill and inventive groupings. Noam Sheriff directed his excellent ensemble of musicians with precision and drive, and Stravinsky's score sounded as fresh and provocative as when performed first in 1918. As far as I can judge, Yaacov Shabtai's adaptation into Hebrew (with changes acknowledged in the footnotes of the programme sheet) sounds clever, practical and natural. Danny Karavan's sparse stage props served their purpose well; especially effective was the elevated and illuminated orchestra cage. Costumes (Moshe ben Shaul) and lighting (Ben-Zion Munitz) all fitted effortlessly into the staging. Altogether this hour-long entertainment with a moral made a great impact.

Yaacov Agmon (of "Teatron Bimot") is taking the presentation on to the concert circuit, sponsored by "Omanut Le'am" (a joint undertaking of the Ministry of Education and Culture, the American-Israel Cultural Foundation, and the Histadrut). This is a most encouraging cooperative effort, and all participants in this enterprise can be proud of their achievements. (The Jerusalem Theatre — May 31).

YOHANAN BOEHM

THE MANUSCRIPT of "The Prophet Elijah" by court composer Carlo Agostino Badia (1672-1738) came to Haifa's Music Museum from the archives of the Austrian National Library in Vienna. The museum director, Mr. Moshe Gorali, translated its handwritten notes into a readable modern score.

The work, written in its contemporary Italian style, was first performed in 1730 and revived by the combined efforts of Mr. Gorali and "Pro Musica's" conductor Dalia Atlas (Auditorium, May 24). The vocal parts were sung by the Technion choir, and the soloists were Zila Grossmeyer, soprano, Tamar Ras, alto, Willy Hapernas, bass-baritone (the only one of the group, whose Italian diction was understandable) and Roberto Garber, tenor (accompanied in his recitatives by a piano instead of a harpsichord).

The soloists in Corelli's Concerto Grosso Op. 6 No. 2 were Yair Kless and Philip Hlavin, violins, and Alexander Kaganovsky, cello, who brought out perfectly the meaning of the music.

Highest praise must go to the conductor for her untiring work, that reached its climax in Bartok's Divertimento for Strings. *G.W.-B.*

GARY BERTINI conducted the I.P.O.'s 10th subscription concert (Tel Aviv, Mann Auditorium, May 26) and with the very first number, Berlioz's overture, "Benvenuto Cellini," again demonstrated his dynamism and temperament. He attacked the dramatic opening passages with explosive passion and injected the lyrical middle section with strong emotion. This was very effective, but personally I found it exaggerated. The dramatic effect was overdone and the lyrical passages were mannered.

At the centre of the programme was William Walton's Violin Concerto and with Uri Pianka, one of the I.P.O.'s concert-masters, as soloist, its performance was a tremendous success. Pianka has an impeccable technique and he developed an intensity of expression which went to the core of the concerto's musical substance. He was assisted magnificently by the conductor. Nothing of the complicated score was lost, yet the orchestra never infringed on the soloist's domain.

Bertini also seemed completely in his element in Mendelssohn's 4th Symphony, "The Italian." Some of the first movement's details were lost through hastiness, but the remaining three were beautifully alive. *BENJAMIN BAR-AM*

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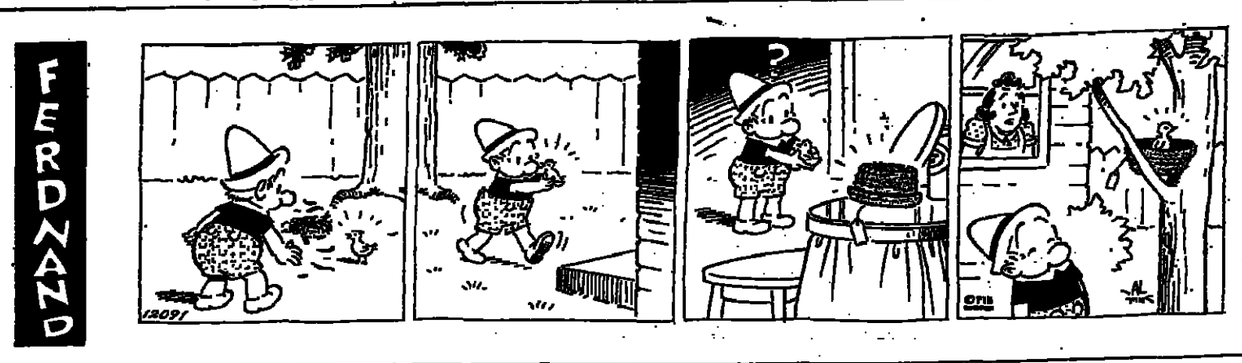

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Har-El Synagogue (Progressive Judaism). 16 Rehov Shmuel Hanagid, near Bezalel Museum. **Tonight:** 6.30 p.m. Sermon: Rabbi Zvi Saplow. A.C. Zaoui. **Shabbat:** Shahrit, 9.30 a.m.

World Council of Synagogues (Conservative), at United Synagogue of America Centre: Rehov Agron 4. **Tonight:** 6.00 p.m. **Shabbat:** Shahrit, 8.30 a.m. Sermon: Rabbi Sol D. Goldfarb.

Congregation Migdal Hasheshanim (22 Rehov Pinsker). **Tonight:** Minha 7.00 p.m. **Shabbat:** Shahrit 8.00 a.m. Lecture: Ethics of the Fathers (English), 6.00 p.m. Minha 7.00 p.m., followed by Lesson in Talmud.

Young Israel (28 Rehov Ben-Tzion, Givat Shaul). **Tonight:** 7.25 p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat, 7.40 p.m. **Shabbat:** Shahrit, 8.00 a.m., Minha 7.05 p.m.

Young Israel (Rehov Bar Yohai 47, Katamon). **Tonight:** 7.20 p.m. **Shabbat:** 8.00 a.m.

Young Israel (Block 107, Sanhedria Murhevet). **Tonight:** 7.20 p.m. **Shabbat:** 8.00 a.m.

Hebrew Union College (Rehov David Hamelech 13). **Shabbat:** 10 a.m.

TEL AVIV

The Great Synagogue (110 Allenby Road). **Tonight:** Kabbalat Shabbat, 7.05 p.m. **Shabbat:** Shahrit, 7.30 a.m.

Ihud Shivat Zion (86 Rehov Ben Yehuda). **Tonight:** Minha, 7.30 p.m. **Shabbat:** Shahrit, 6.30 and 8.30 a.m., Minha 7.35 p.m.

Ihud Shivat Zion (Beit Hamore, Rehov *Nathan Strauss 5*). **Tonight:** *Minha 7.30 p.m.* **Shabbat:** Shahrit, 8.00 a.m. Minha 7.35 p.m.

Kehilat Sinai (Conservative, B'nei Brit House, 10 Rehov Kaplan, corner Hameasfim). **Shabbat:** Shahrit, 9.00 a.m., Parashat Hashavua: Rabbi David Haber.

Beit Haknesset Geulat Yisrael (Rehov Mercaz Ba'alei Melacha 16). **Tonight:** 7.00 p.m. **Shabbat:** Shahrit, 8.30 a.m.

Kehilat Ramat Aviv (Progressive Judaism: Jacob Efter Hall, Peretz Naphtali *Bldg. T.A. University*). **Tonight:** *6.30 p.m.* Sermon: Mr. Shai Eitan.

BAT YAM

Minyan Tai'izizr Ramat Hanassi (4a Livorno). **Tonight:** 7.35 p.m. **Tomorrow:** 8.00 a.m., Minha 6.45 p.m.

RAMAT GAN

Hatechiya Synagogue: Tonight: 7.30 p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat. **Shabbat:** Shahrit, 7.45 a.m. Parashat Hashavua: Mr. Barkol, Minha, 7.20 p.m. Shiur Gemara, Mr. Weizman.

Emeth V'anava Congregation (Progressive Judaism); 57 Derech Jabotinsky. **Tonight:** 7.00 p.m. **Shabbat:** 9.30 a.m.

Beth Haknesset Ramat Hen (5 Rehov Ramat Hen). **Tonight:** 6.30 p.m. **Shabbat:** Shahrit, 7.45 a.m.

SAVYON

Tiferet Yitzchak Synagogue (6 Rehov Hadarom). **Tonight:** 6.30 p.m. **Shabbat:** 8.30 a.m.

KFAR SABA

Hamiayan Habadash (Shahuna Eliezer). **Tonight:** Kabbalat Shabbat, 7.35 p.m. **Shabbat:** 7.30 a.m., Minha 7.40 p.m.

PETAH TIKVA

Young Israel (Ramat Werber School Rehov Anderson). **Tonight:** 7.15 p.m. **Shabbat:** 7.00 a.m., Services, 8.00 a.m.

KIRON

Young Israel *(Rehov Shlomo Hamelech).* **Tonight:** 7.15 p.m. **Shabbat:** 8.00 a.m.

KFAR SHMARYAHU

Beit Haknesset Hechal Rabanim: Tonight: 7.15 p.m. **Shabbat:** Shahrit, 8.00 a.m. Sermon: Rabbi Shmuel Avidor Hacohen. Minha 7.00 p.m.

HERZLIYA

Young Israel (Hotel Hod, Rehov Hanassi). **Tonight:** 6.30 p.m. **Shabbat:** 8.45 a.m.

NETANYA

Beit Yisrael (Conservative, 13 Rehov Rav Kook). **Tonight:** 7.00 p.m. **Shabbat:** 9.00 a.m.

"Netan-Ya" Progressive Congregation (35, Rehov Ussishkin). **Tonight:** 7.00 p.m. **Shabbat:** 9.30 a.m., Rabbi E. Assabi.

New Synagogue (7 McDonald St.). **Tonight:** 7.00 p.m. **Shabbat:** 8.00 a.m., Children's Oneg Shabbat, 5.00 p.m. Study Group 6.00 p.m. Minha 7.00 p.m. Sermon: Rabbi Emanuel Forman.

HAIFA

Moriah Congregation-Conservative (7 Rehov Horeb, Ahuza). **Tonight:** 7.00 p.m. **Shabbat:** Shahrit, 9.00 a.m. Sermon: Rabbi Charles W. Siegel.

Haifa Progressive Congregation of Hadash (Small Theatre, Beit Rothschild). **Tonight:** 6.30 p.m. Sermon. **Shabbat:** 9.00 a.m. Sermon.

RISHON LEZION

Young Israel *(54 Rehov Hanotrim).* **Tonight:** 7.15 p.m. **Shabbat:** 8.30 a.m.

Young Israel (Shikun Beit). **Tonight:** 7.15 p.m. **Shabbat:** Shahrit, 8.00 a.m.

REHOVOT

Adat Shalom Synagogue (Conservative, B'nai Brit Hall, 183 Rehov Herzl). **Tonight:** 7.00 p.m. **Shabbat:** Shahrit 8.30 a.m. Sermons: Rabbi Meir Ydit.

ASHDOD

Kehilat Etz Hayim — Conservative (Geulim School, Ezor Aleph). **Tonight:** 6.30 p.m. **Shabbat:** 9.00 a.m.

ASHKELON

Kehilat Netzach Yisrael (Batsheva Gerbovov Community Centre, Derech Yaacov Chaham, corner Harel, Afridar). **Tonight:** Kabbalat Shabbat, 6.30 p.m. **Shabbat:** Shahrit, 9.00 a.m. Sermon: Rabbi Pinhas Spectre.

BEERSHEBA

Family Congregation of Omer (Conservative, Omer School Auditorium). **Tonight:** Kabbalat Shabbat, 6.30 p.m. Sermon: Rabbi Michael Graetz. **Shabbat:** Shahrit, 9.00 a.m.

Young Israel (Shikun Beit). **Tonight:** 7.15 p.m. **Shabbat:** Shahrit, 8.00 a.m.

Progressive (Telephone 73737). **Tonight:** 7.00 p.m. Sermon: Rabbi Mayer Perelmuter.

CHRISTIAN SERVICES

St. George's Cathedral (Angelican, Nablus Road, Jerusalem) Sunday: Holy Communion 8.00 p.m. (English). Morning Worship (Arabic) 9.30 a.m. Sung Eucharist and Sermon (English) 11 a.m. Evensong and Sermon, (English) 6.00 p.m. Daily (Mon. to Sat.) Holy Communion. 7.00 a.m. Evensong 6.00 p.m.

Baptist Congregation (Rehov Narkis, Jerusalem); Saturday Services. Bible Study: 9.45 a.m. Worship 11.00 a.m.

Church of Christ (across street from Rockefeller Museum). Bible Classes: 10.00 a.m. *Worship: 11.00 a.m. and 6.00 p.m.* Wednesday: Bible Classes, 6.00 p.m.

Christ Church (Anglican) Jaffa Gate. Holy Communion. 8.00 a.m. Evening Service. 6 p.m.

Lutheran Church (Muristan Rd., Old City, Jerusalem). **Arabic:** Every Sunday — 9.00 a.m. — Church of the Redeemer; English: Every Sunday — 9.00 a.m. — Crusader's Chapel (next to Church);

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Association for Unification of World Christianity meets each Saturday and Sunday at 9.00 a.m. Interested people write to P.O.B. 14015, Jerusalem.

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Church of Scotland (Prebysterian, near Railway Station) Jerusalem. Tel. 84325. Sunday Morning Service, 10.00 a.m.

"Shalhevetyah" —Finnish School Lutheran) (25 Rehov Shivtei Israel) Saturday 10.30 a.m. Service in Hebrew: Sunday 7.30 p.m. Bible Study in Hebrew.

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Immanuel Lutheran Church (Rehov Eilat behind Old Law Court, Tel Aviv). Saturday: 11.00 a.m.

Evangelical Episcopal (Anglican) Church (Jaffa, Beer Hoffman Street, off Rehov Eilat); Sunday: Evening Service. 6.00 p.m. Tuesday: Bible Study (Tel. 821459).

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Christian Science Service, Hilton Hotel, Tel Aviv. Sunday: 10.45 a.m.

Petah Tikva Baptist Congregation (3 kilometres north of Petah Tikva). Saturday Services: Bible Study. 9.45 a.m. Worship. 11.00 a.m.

Nazareth Ukrainian Catholic Chapel Nazareth Old City, two blocks over Maronite Church in Ecumenical Christ Child Centre. Sunday, Mass 9.00 a.m.

Church of the Nazarene (Main Street, near Galilee Hotel) Sunday Services: 10.00, 11.00 a.m., 7.30 p.m. (Tel. 065-54815).

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SATURDAY

ARRIVALS: Alitalia 738 from Rome, 1330; TWA 810 from Boston, Paris and Rome, 1610; Air France 192 from Paris, 1620; Lufthansa 632 from Frankfurt and Munich, 1630; TWA 806 from N.Y., Paris and Athens, 1730; Swissair 330 from Zurich, 1905; El *Al* 478 from Paris, 2020, El Al 476 from London, 2025; El Al 386 from Rome, 2050; B.A. 484 from London, 2100; El Al 358 from Frankfurt, 2105; El Al 338 from Amsterdam, 2205; El Al 476 from London, 2210; TWA 900 from N.Y., Lisbon, Madrid, Rome and Athens, 2125; El Al 338 from Amsterdam, 2205; El Al 354 from Vienna and Munich, 2220; El Al 346 from Geneva, 2256; El Al 876 from London, 2300.

DEPARTURES: El Al 875 to Frankfurt and London, 0705; TWA 811 to Rome, Paris and Boston, 0715; Air France 133 to Paris, 0950; TWA 881 to Athens and N.Y., 1010; B.A. 485 to London, 10.30; TWA 801 to Paris and N.Y., 1050; Alitalia 739 to Rome, 1440; Lufthansa 637 to Frankfurt, 1730; Air France 192 to Teheran, New Delhi, Bangkok and Hong Kong, 1745.

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SATURDAY

JERUSALEM: (day) Farkash, 28 Palmah, 36084; (evening) Beit Hakerem, 19 Beit Hakerem, 521089; Habash, El-Wad, Old City, 284285. **TEL AVIV:** (day) Gutmann, 91 Ahad Ha'am, 285301; Zafon, 33 Yehuda Hamaccabi, 449995; Yani, 67 Yehuda Halevi, 612474; (evening) Gutmann, 91 Ahad Ha'am, 285301; Kikar Hamedina, 48 Heh Beiyar, 258046. **HOLON:** Sheinin, 68 Sokolow. **BAT YAM:** Ezra, 135 Balfour. **GIVATAYIM:** Hadassah, 151 Katznelson, 722271. **HERZLIYA:** *Briut, 69* Sokolow. **PETAH TIKVA:** Assuta, 21 Baron Hirsh, 911710. **NETANY:** Trufa, 2 Herzl, 28856. **HAIFA:** Hagiborim, 28 Hagiborim, 667400. **BEERSHEBA:** Yona, Shikun B., 5 Bialik.

EMERGENCY HOSPITALS IN JERUSALEM

FRIDAY

Hadassah (pediatrics). **Bikur Holim** (internal, obstetrics). **Shaare Zedek** (surgery, eyes).

SATURDAY

Shaare Zedek (pediatrics, obstetrics, surgery, eyes). **Hadassah** (internal).

EMERGENCY HOSPITALS IN TEL AVIV

FRIDAY

Hadassah (internal). **Ichilov** (surgery).

SATURDAY

Ichilov (internal, surgery).

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2. The "Form for Conditions of Tender," with appendices and additional information on the above tender, is available during work days at the Regional Office of the Administration, 88 Derech Petah Tikva, first floor, Room 15, in Tel Aviv.
   Technical specifications can be obtained at our regional office, at the above address, for a fee of IL300.
3. Bids should be submitted only on the "Form for Bids to Sign a Development Agreement" as detailed on the "Form for Conditions of Tender," mentioned in paragraph 2.
4. The bids should be deposited in the Tender Box at the Regional on July 9, 1975. Any bid not in the box by the date and now Office of the Administration, at the above address, by 12 noon indicated will not be accepted or considered for the Tender.
5. The Lands Administration does not undertake to accept any bid.

The Executive of the Jewish Agency
Israel Education Fund

TENDER No. Kuf/209

1. The Executive of the Jewish Agency (hereinafter the Agency) invites tenders from building contractors for the construction of the

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3. Conditions of the tender as well as all other pertinent information can be obtained beginning on Sunday, June 8, 1975, from the Agency, 17 Rehov Kaplan, Tel Aviv, room 206 during office hours, against a non-refundable deposit of IL450.
4. A special tour of the construction site for contractors will be held on Sunday, June 15, 1975, departing at 10 a.m. from the Engineer's office at the Upper Nazareth Municipality.
5. Bids should be submitted not later than 1 p.m. on Wednesday, July 9, 1975, at the address mentioned in paragraph 3 above.
6. Conditions of payment, in cash, to be arranged according to the contract to be signed.
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BUSINESS & FINANCE

TEL AVIV STOCKS

Stocks edge upward

TEL AVIV. — Stocks continued to edge their way upward yesterday. The turnover was IL1,603,000, of which IL655,800 was in the variables.

Index-linked bonds were stable for the most part but some dropped slightly. The turnover in bonds was IL13,414,700.

The Natad dollar dropped two points to IL6.52. Some $208,000 was offered, and $235,000 traded.

The general index of share prices rose by 0.19 per cent to stand at 105.34.

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DEBENTURES			
LINKED TO THE DOLLAR			
2 Dead Sea Junior	r	319	316
2 Electric Corp. A	r	171	170
2 Electric Corp. B	r	187.5	188
LINKED to the C.L. INDEX (Principal & Interest)			
Gifts 1965, Index 110.1	b	462	462
Tahon 1968, Series 41	b	192.0	192.7
Tahon 1969, Series 41	b	143	144
COMMERCIAL BANKS & BANKHOLDING COMPANIES			
Bikur Hityashvut	r	234	237
D.B. pref.	r	310.5	309
D.B. Bankholding	r	203	202
Union Bank "A"	r	212	212
Discount Bank "A"	r	435	422
United Mizrahi Bank	b	150	150
Bank Hapoalim—10%	b	226	225
Bank Leumi "A"		197.5	196.5
MORTGAGE BANKS			
Gen. Mortgage Bank	b	186	185
Jerusalem Mortg. & Inv.	b	153	153
Rev. & Mortg. Bank	b	188	190
Housing Mortg. Bank	b	144	144.5
Mefahot 8%	—	228.5	228.5
Mefahot	b	229	230
SPECIALIZED FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS			
Ind. & Dev. Bank 8%	r	68.5	68.5
Koryeh	r	391.5	392.5
Hassneh Insurance	b	256	253
Shahar — "C"	b	249	250
COMMERCIAL SERVICES & UTILITIES			
Motor House	b	78	77.5
Melek C	r	158	159
Cold Storage—IL10	r	144	144
Israel Electric Corp.	r	135	131.5
Lighterage & Supply	r	130.5	130.5
LAND, BUILDING DEVELOPMENT AND CITRUS			
Gloria	r	111	110
Africa Isr. IL10	r	222	222
Isr. Land Dev.	b	94	96.5
Solel Boneh—10%	b	150	150
Property & Building	r	155	165
Isras	b	101.5	101.5
Mehadrin	r	204.5	205
I.C.P. Isr. Citrus	r	104	104
Anglo-Isr. Investors	b	229	230
Neot Aviv	r	102	101
Pri Or Ltd.	r	154	154
Rassco—8%	r	81.5	81.5
Rassco—O.	r	54	54.5
INDUSTRIAL			
Alliance—B	r	370	370
Elco—C.5	b	97.5	96
Electra—5	r	129.5	128
Argaman—8%	b	205	205
Ata—C	r	79.5	79.5
Dubek	b	392	392
Elec. Wire & Cable	b	126	126
Teva		1145	1130
Chem. & Phosphates	r	144	143
Lewin Epstein	b	61	61
Mofet Textile	r	171.5	171.5
Phoenicia—8%	b	68.5	67
Paper Mills	r	270	265
Assis "B"	r	168	168
Nechushtan	b	603	603
Elite (A)	r	197	194.5
Shemen—8%	b	107	107
"Tsal" Plywood	b	116	116
INVESTMENT & HOLDING COMPANIES			
Elgar	b	87.5	87.5
Eilern	b	156.5	157
Israel Central Trade	r	160.5	160
Bank Hapoalim	b	242	242
Paz	b	104.5	104.5
Wolfson—IL10	b	75	75
Ampa	r	104	104.5
Discount Bank	b	172.5	173.5
United Mizrahi	b	127	127
Bank Leumi	r	149.5	149
Piryon Investment	r	116.6	115.5
Hassuta-For. Trade	r	85.5	85.5
Export Bank	b	67.5	68
Clal Investment	r	202.5	202.5
Clal Industries	r	114	115.5
FUEL & OIL			
Naphta OTC	r	171.5	169
Lapidoth OTC	r	237.5	229

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Small group graduates from Agency emissaries' course

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The 25 aliya emissaries who finished an intensive, six-week course in Jerusalem Wednesday before going abroad were one of the smallest "graduating classes" in recent years due to budget cuts and the shortage of new immigrants.

The future *shlihim*, mostly professionals in their 30s, will leave next month for assignments in 13 countries around the world. They were the final choices of the Jewish Agency's Immigration Department from among 450 applicants.

Department deputy director-general Yehuda Dominitz told them at the wrap-up session at Kiryat Moriah that "it's easy to be a *maliah* when there's a crowd of people waiting in the corridor to see you. It's much harder when the morale and the aliya figures are lower."

Most of the *shlihim* said they felt "defensive" about their work when meeting other Israelis, because of the widespread publicity in the last year of irregularities by emissaries abroad. Some even thought they were viewed as "potential emigrants" who would remain abroad when they finished their service, in two or three years. One of the graduates criticized the publication by Immigration Department head Uzi Narkiss recently of a circular stating what the *shaliah* is prohibited from doing abroad (including purchasing a home or studying at a university). Publicizing all possible offences, he explained, makes the public think most emissaries have been guilty of them for years.

The emissaries' training course included tours of the country to meet new immigrants and government officials, seminars on the country of their destination, and lecturing and interviewing techniques.

(Due to transmission difficulties, the Wall Street market comment was not received last night.)

Airco Inc	19	Chemie Sys	34 1/2	Genesco	4 1/4	Merr Lynch	15 3/4	Singer Co	16 3/8
Alcan Alu	23 1/8	Chrysler	11 1/8	Ga Pac	45 1/2	Miles Lab	22 3/8	Smithkline	56
Allied Ch	36 7/8	Citicorp	35 3/4	Getty O	190 1/2	Minn M M	66 3/4	Sony	11 1/2
Allied Str	33 5/8	Cities Sve	45 5/8	Gillette	32 3/8	Mobil Oil	46 1/8	South Ry	54 3/4
Allis Chal	11 5/8	Coca-Cola	92 5/8	Goodrc	17 1/2	Monsgm	8	Sperry Rand	45 7/8
Alcoa	48	Colg Pal	33 7/8	Goodyr	18	Monsan	45 3/8	St Brands	70 3/8
Amax	52 1/8	Colu Gas	26 7/8	Grace & Co	27 7/8	Moor McCor	77 1/2	St Oil Cal	32 1/8
Am Airlin	8	Colum Pict	8 1/8	Grt A & P	10 5/8	Morgan J	65 1/2	St Oil Ind	46 3/4
Am Bdcst	25 1/2	Comsat	36 1/2	Greyhound	14 7/8	Nabisco	33 3/8	St Oil Oh	73 1/4
Amer Can	32 3/4	Con Edis	13	Gulf Oil	21 3/4	Nat Distil	15 1/2	Sterl Drug	19 1/2
Am Cyan	27 1/2	Cont Can	26	Gulf Wn	36 1/2	Nat Cash R	38 7/8	Stu Wor	32 1/4
Am Home	41 3/4	Cont Oil	68 7/8	Heller Int	10 7/8	Nat Indust	14 5/8	Sun Oil	35
Amer Mot	5 3/4	Cont Tel	13 1/4	Hew Pack	115 3/4	Norwest Air	19 3/4	Teledyne	18 1/4
Am Stand	14 1/8	Cont Data	22 7/8	Honeywel	39 5/8	Occ Pet C	19	Tenneco	23 5/8
Amer T & T	49 1/4	Corning	53 3/4	House N C	50	Olin Corp	27 1/4	Texaco	25 7/8
AMF Inc	19 7/8	CPC Intl	43 3/4	Howmet	13 5/8	Otis Elev	10 1/2	Texas Gulf	33
Anaconda	19 5/8	Crown Cork	21	IBM	218	Owen Ill	41 1/4	Texas Instru	111 7/8
ASA Ltd	39 3/8	Crwn Zell	35 3/4	Int Harv	30	Pac A Gs El	20 1/2	Textron	24
Asarco	17 5/8	Curtis Wri	15	Int Nickel	28	Panam W A	4 5/8	Transwair	8 1/2
Atl Rich	130 5/8	Dan River	6 1/4	Int Paper	48 1/2	Penn Centri	1 3/4	TriCon	18 7/8
Avco	6	Deere Co	43 1/4	Int T & T	23 3/4	Pepsi Co	68 1/2	TRW Inc	53 3/8
Bell How	13	Dow Chem	87 3/4	Interpublic	15 3/8	Pfizer	33 1/4	Twent Cent	11
Bendix	37 1/2	Dress Ind	67	John Man	21 1/2	Phelps D	35 1/2	UAL Inc	19 3/8
Benguet	2 3/4	Dupont	125 1/2	John Joh	96	Phil Morr	52 1/2	Unil Ltd	UNSOLD
Beth Stl	34 3/8	East Airlines	5 3/8	Kais Alum	27 5/8	Phil Petro	58 1/2	Unit NV	44 1/8
Boeing Co	30 3/4	E Kodak	101 1/8	Kemp Cop	38 5/8	Polaroid	31 1/2	Un Carbide	59 3/8
Bois Cas	20 3/4	Eaton	24 7/8	Koppers	56 3/4	Proct GM	97	Uniroyal	8 1/8
Borg War	18 1/2	El Paso NG	12 7/8	Libb O Fd	16 7/8	Quak Oat	18 1/8	Unit Brands	5 1/4
Brantff	7 1/8	Esmark	32	Ligg My	33 1/4	Ralston P	40 3/4	US Indust	4
Bristol My	66 1/4	Exxon	67 1/8	Litton Ind	9	RCA	19 3/4	US Steel	56 5/8
Brunswick	19 1/8	Fair Cam	48 1/2	Lockheed	12 3/4	Revere Cop	12 3/8	Unit Tech Cp	19 1/4
Burl Ind	27 1/4	Firestone	17 3/4	LTV Corp	15 1/8	Reyn Ind	55	US Tobac	53 3/8
Burroughs	125 3/8	Fluor Cp	34 1/4	Macy RH	20 5/8	Reyn Met	21 3/8	War Lam	37 1/8
Camp Sp	33 3/8	Fd Fair	5 3/8	Magnavox	8 5/8	Rockwell Int	23 5/8	Wells Far	17 5/8
Cnd Pac	14 5/8	Ford Mot	36 3/4	Mbrs Han	33 3/8	Rohm & Haas	77	Wn Un	15 1/8
Castle Che	15 5/8	Gen Dynam	48 3/8	Marath	43 5/8	Royl D	36 3/8	Westg Elec	19
Cater Tr	52 1/4	Gen Elect	47 3/8	Marcor	25	Safeway	40 1/4	Weyerhs	41 1/2
CBS	44 3/4	G Fds Corp	25 7/8	Marsh Fd	23 7/8	Schering	61 3/8	Wltcn Chem	23 1/2
Celanese	35	Gen Mills	47 3/8	Martin Mar	16	Scott Pap	17 1/4	Woolworth	14 3/4
Cerro Cp	15 1/8	Gen Mot	44 1/2	Matsush	17 7/8	Seagram Co.	30 1/4	Xerox Co	72 7/8
Chase Manh	33 1/4	Gn Tel El	23 5/8	McDon D	16 1/2	Sears Roe	68 1/8	Zenith Rad	24 5/8
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Prompt and practical steps to stop the economic rot

By Moshe Ater
Jerusalem Post
Economic Editor

WIDE SECTIONS of the Israel public tend to see our economic malaise as a direct or indirect result of the Yom Kippur War, and of the tremendous defence burden we must now shoulder. There is a grain of truth in this view, but it becomes dangerous when pushed beyond proper limits. It leads then to despondency, because actions seem to be unable to produce tangible results as long as the political tension persists. Moreover, it is accompanied *by the feeling that — because the* basic issue is political, and hinges upon Israel's strategic position in Western defence — we shall eventually be bailed out even if things get worse. It does not take into account the dependence of military strength on non-military factors — economic, social, moral—which may nullify even a lavish supply of weapons and other material resources, as has been dramatically demonstrated in Vietnam.

This view is also historically wrong, for our economic malaise dates back to long before the last war. In the late 'sixties warnings were heard about lavish spending, both private and public, about the adverse effects of persistent inflation: about the ever widening foreign trade gap and the growing dependence on foreign capital; about the cumulative impact of featherbedding protection, cross-subsidization, and other malpractices. There was already talk of the need to carry out far-reaching fiscal, administrative, finance and labour reforms. The economists were already calling on the Government to act swiftly, before matters got out of hand, even though the rate of inflation, the size of the foreign debt, and social unrest in the country were small in comparison to what we are witnessing now.

HOT MONEY

*However, the warnings were dis*regarded, the reforms were postponed. Instead, rescue was sought in massive American aid and international hot money. A rude awakening for our economy — and people — was forecast on the eve of the Yom Kippur War. In retrospect, we know that our economic position — and probably also our military preparedness — would have been stronger, if those years had not been wasted, if the required reforms had been carried out earlier. That unfortunate attitude can at most explain, but never excuse, the prevailing tendency to go on delaying unpleasant steps, marking time and hoping for the best.

In the prevailing atmosphere, the farewell speech of Mr. Mark Mosevics, the outgoing president of the Manufacturers' Association, must ring an alarm bell. Mr. Mosevics did not disclose any new facts. He just summed up what everybody is aware of anyway. But he proceeded to predict the consequences, and to demand prompt practical steps to stop the rot.

In this he disregarded the gentlemanly convention by which the Government's proclaimed intentions are taken as facts, and stated bluntly that these intentions have largely remained mere words, that the much touted new economic policy has so far failed, and that a new one must be built from scratch. The devaluation of just over six months ago has already spent its force. The economy is drenched in funds, both white and black. The hoped for expansion of export industries is hampered by lack of adequate incentives and by the attraction exercised by the home market.

BUYING SPREE

Mr. Mosevics warned that the situation is bound to worsen when the C-o-L allowance is paid next month, due to be followed by substantial tax reductions in the wake of the Ben-Shahar proposals, and another C-o-L hike when VAT is eventually introduced. If action is not taken in time, the buying spree — which has somewhat subsided — is likely to assume major proportions, the pace of inflation to accelerate, and the foreign trade gap to increase beyond the daunting figure of $3.5b.

In order to prevent that, Mr. Mosevics suggested a one-year wage freeze, sharp scaling down of the C-o-L payments, and a series of measures for the encouragement of industrial investments, export promotion, and productivity. He called upon the Government to stop worrying about popularity at a time when the people must be told how bleak the situation is, how much our future depends on our joint efforts.

The programme outlined by Mr. Mosevics need not be accepted in all its details. For all his statesmanlike approach, he was speaking as the spokesman of the manufacturers, and was mainly concerned about their problems. One may doubt, for *example, whether the right kind of* industrial growth can be achieved by the present system of unlinked development loans; whether short*age of financing is of major import*ance in the present circumstances; whether wages can be effectively frozen by the extension of present tariff agreements.

It stands to reason that the steps now required ought to be still more sweeping, and extend to other fields. The best way to shake people out of their pipe-dream lethargy would probably be an announcement that the Government—including the bodies dependent on it, such as municipalities, universities, and even publicly owned companies—will not pay a C-o-L increment in July, in any case not in cash.

FLOAT THE POUND

The private sector would be forced to follow this lead, and the trade unions—and the consumers—would be compelled to adjust themselves as best they could.

Probably the best way to boost exports would be to float the pound — perhaps by pegging it to a flexible basket of currencies — even though that might result in higher prices of imported commodities.

The most effective way to advance productivity would probably be a cut in public spending projects — housing in particular — coupled with legislative action to regulate the functioning, and to fix the responsibility, of shop committees. A number of other new policies should be launched once business conditions and the mood of the public were changed by a more realistic approach.

All this in no way detracts from the importance and urgency of Mr. Mosevics' appeal, but it is unlikely to be heeded, just because it is too topical, and aimed at urgent problems. Can our weak Government, leaning heavily on a Histadrut divided against itself, be expected *to carry out any such programme?* Probably not. But the need to act before it is too late is obvious, and the real question is: how can the Government be strengthened so as to put an end to the present immobility?

In the current emergency situation, an efficient leadership — a national coalition by whatever name — is required not so much to cope with foreign policy problems, as to put our own house in order. The programme outlined by the manufacturers' president is not very different from that of the Labour Alignment. But in practice, sectional interests prevail and no policy is actually put into operation.

The Paris Air Show

Slick sales talk at the arms supermarket

By ELIAS ANTAR

PARIS (AP). — Much of the Paris Air Show is a vast arms supermarket, in which only Western manufacturers are selling. The Soviet Union and its East European allies are showing only civilian planes.

Asked why such potential sellers as the Mig23 jet fighter are not on display, a Soviet official lowered his eyes and said, "We show only civilians."

Other sources pointed out that political advantage, not economic gain, is the governing factor in Soviet arms exports.

But Western manufacturers are promoting their "weapons systems" with lavish hospitality, slick sales talk and enthusiasm.

"Attaboy, get 'em, go, go, go, baby," shouted an official of one American aerospace company as a new American jet fighter zoomed into the sky on a demonstration flight. And the plane was manufactured by a rival company.

One brochure describes a supersonic fighter thus: "World's most capable air superiority fighter... eliminates harmful objects with its... *weapons system, extreme-range, sim*ultaneous multiple-missile launch, and variable sweep-wing versatility."

More than 550 exhibitors from 20 countries are displaying their wares at this year's show, which opened Friday and closes next Saturday.

Any arms deals made here are kept a close secret. But a Japanese delegation is looking for warplanes, and teams from Saudi Arabia, Iran, Libya, Canada and other countries have shown plenty of interest.

This conversation was held under the barrel of an anti-aircraft gun produced by a Swedish firm: Interested visitor: "Is the gun fully automatic?" Exhibitor: "No, an officer aims with that thing, and the gun swings round, but then the gunner has to press the button himself. It's very simple. We use a proximity fuse."

A Swiss firm making a similar weapon is more precise: "The radar captures the enemy fighter, tracks it, gives automatic instructions to the gun, swings it round and fires it. All the gunner has to do is load the shells."

With proximity fuses? "No, sir, we rely on a direct hit. A proximity fuse is no use."

Many of the civilian planes and helicopters being shown can also be used in combat. Of the 176 Aircraft on display, some 60 have dual functions.

A French helicopter called the Gazelle is recommended for rescuing stranded skiers. Its olive drab version has a machingun that swings down and rotates *to fire in* all directions, making it "the counter-insurgency weapon *par excellence.*"

A light Swedish plane called the Supporter looks like a Piper Cub and has a top speed of 155 miles an hour. It can also fire six anti-tank missiles, or 28 rockets, or twin machine guns, or drop six bombs.

ILO meets on job equality for women

GENEVA (UPI). — The International Labour Organization (ILO) opened its 60th annual conference here on Wednesday with the promotion of equality for women workers heading its agenda.

The 2,000 government, employer and worker delegates from ILO's 125 member countries elected Philippines Labour Minister Blas Ople, president of the conference.

Marking International Women's Year, delegates are to draw up a plan of action to promote equal treatment for women workers. A report to the conference says sex-based discrimination in wages is still widespread.

The ILO Secretariat is also calling on the conference to make the working environment more human and points out that there are some 160,000 industrial accidents every day around the world.

Syrian exports reach $800m.

DAMASCUS (AP). — Syria doubled its exports in 1974 to $800m., the Customs chief said on Wednesday.

Anis Chaarani, director general of the Customs Authority, said the export figure compared to $1.4b. of imports, much of it paid for by aid from Arab oil nations.

Chaarani did not break down the export figure. But oil officials have said the country earned $400m. from oil alone.

The 1973 figures were $600m. in imports and $400m. in exports. The quick rise in activity was attributed to economic liberalization fostered by President Hafez Assad.

Elite appointments

ELITE has appointed two deputy general managers to the managing director, Mr. Abe G. Fromcenko. They are Mr. David Mosevics, the son of the *chairman of the board* of directors, Mr. Mark Mosevics, and Mr. Avi Pelossof, and not as reported in yesterday's *Jerusalem Post*.

JEWISH SCENE — GEOFFREY WIGODER

200 years of freedom for Swedish Jews

SWEDISH JEWRY has just celebrated its 200th anniversary. The occasion was marked by a special service in a Stockholm synagogue that was attended by the King of Sweden.

The first Jewish settler in Sweden, who arrived in 1774, was an engraver and merchant called Aaron Isaac. The following year, other members of his family and several friends received permission to settle — and for the first time a regular minyan could be assembled in Stockholm. A few years later the Swedish parliament officially permitted the settlement of Jews (although initially restricting them to Stockholm, Goteborg and Norrkoping).

From time to time, there were outbreaks of anti-Jewish sentiment (and during the early Nazi era there was a considerable pro-Hitler element), but the general pattern has been one of freedom and absence of discrimination. The Jews have felt very much at home there. The last official restrictions on Jews were lifted in the middle of the 19th century. Following that there was a steady trickle of Jews to the country and about 8,000 were living there on the eve of World War II.

In the 1930s Swedish public opinion was not favourable toward the refugee issue. At the time Sweden was facing an unemployment problem and few if any newcomers were welcome. However, this attitude changed during the war, when the full scope and horror of the Nazi persecution became known. Nine hundred Norwegian Jews and over 8,000 Jews from Denmark (following the famous rescue operation) found refuge in Sweden. At the end of the war, thousands of survivors of the death-camps were taken to sanatoria in Sweden, partly as a result of the humanitarian actions of Count Bernadotte. The Norwegian and Danish Jews returned to their countries after the war but about 6,000 of the others remained and eventually became Swedish citizens.

The most recent influx emanated from Poland after the Six Day War. They were the victims of the anti-Semitic campaign that broke out in Poland in 1968. Some came to Israel, but about 6,500 settled in Scandinavia, about half in Sweden *and half in Denmark. Today there* are 15,000 Jews in Sweden, about fifty per cent of them in Stockholm, with sizeable communities in Goteborg and Malmo.

THE IMPACT of the Holocaust and the arrival of so many new settlers of Eastern European origin have wrought a major change in Swedish Jewry. Before the war, a strong sense of isolationism prevailed even among the Jews. Assimilation was rampant and the rate of intermarriage was reported to be the highest in the world (although no accurate figures are available). In the whole country there was a single religious school — and it operated one day a week.

The picture today is very different. Many attempts are being made to educate the children and also to provide cultural programmes for adults. Of special importance are the two summer camps for Jewish children. Over 600 children attend the all-day school run by the community in Stockholm and there are other schools elsewhere. Today the parents generally desire that their children receive a traditional and Zionist education.

The arrival of the refugees at the end of World War II led to a reassessment of their Jewish identity by the veteran Swedish Jews. They shouldered their responsibilities to the newcomers and enthusiastically took their place in world Jewish organizations. The newcomers soon became the dominant element and the previous assimilationism gave way to a strong nationalism. Today, the community organization in Stockholm is flourishing with over a hundred salaried officials.

The pre-war anti-Zionism has been replaced by solid support for Israel. Swedish Jews fought in the War of Independence and aliya has been on a proportionately high level. The community recently undertook a IL5m. loan to supply Israel with crisis aid and is now engaged in its repayment. This has strained its resources at a time when its internal requirements are increasing.

RELIGIOUS LIFE is minimal. According to the senior Rabbi Morton H. Narrowe (who comes from the U.S.) there are few laymen with a good Judaic foundation, and no native-born rabbis, cantors or religous teachers. There are three synagogues in Stockholm but these are generally empty on Shabbat and festivals, except for the High Holidays. This situation is, in fact, a continuation of that which has long prevailed in Sweden: at no time has religion played a significant role. The intermarriage rate today is estimated at thirty-forty percent, *which is similar to that prevailing in* the rest of Western Europe.

On the brighter side, however, the Polish refugees, who now account for a quarter of the community, have added a new dimension to Jewish communal life in Sweden. For the first time there are Yiddish journals and Jewish secular organizations. There is a new spirit among the youth: students whose parents tried in Poland to replace Judaism with Marxism are now building up Jewish libraries at Swedish universities. Meetings are regularly held in Yiddish. The Jewish centres in the cities are humming with activity.

Only ten years ago, the leading authority on Swedish Jewry wrote that the community was well on its way to total assimilation. Now, in its 200th year, observers are not so sure.

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Katyushas — a last resort

IT WAS a day of festivities in Egypt yesterday, but in the north the terrorist organizations operating in Lebanon marked the day by firing Katyusha rockets upon Kiryat Shmona.

In recent weeks the PLO has been rather more absorbed by its opposition in Lebanon. Yesterday's action therefore was probably designed to show that the terrorists were still alive. But the fact is that the PLO finds itself increasingly isolated and on the defensive.

Yasser Arafat's recent visit to Moscow, for example, did nothing to bridge the differences with the Soviets, who sought some kind of formula that would enable them to support a PLO presence at a Geneva conference. But the Russians, as co-sponsors to Geneva, do not feel free to back a PLO presence without some kind of statement implying a PLO willingness, however ambiguous, to recognize Israel.

Since that visit the prospects of an early Geneva conference have, in any case, faded, and attention is now focused on the renewed negotiations for an interim agreement between Israel and Egypt, and perhaps Syria. This too runs contrary to Arafat's designs, but there is little he can do, besides firing rockets at Israeli civilian settlements, to alter President Sadat's priorities, which naturally put Egypt first.

The Syrians for their part, to the degree they feel that they too could get back some territory, are not anxious to let the PLO spoil their prospects. And with tension still running high with Iraq over diversion of the Euphrates waters, Damascus appears reluctant to have the terrorists heat up the northern front.

All of these developments have played into the hands of King Hussein, who now feels more confident than ever that the Rabat resolutions which made the PLO the legitimate representative of the Palestinians, have been practically, if not formally, nullified.

The isolation which Hussein feared after the Rabat conference has not occurred. Quite the opposite: he has moved closer to Syria, the erstwhile champion of the PLO, promising to provide protection for Syria's southern flanks. Next week Syrian President Assad's visit to Amman will give dramatic proof of Hussein's strengthened position.

Thus, confronted with these disappointments, and watching the gains of Rabat drain off to revitalize Hussein, the PLO vents its fury upon a kindergarten at Kiryat Shmona.

It is not a policy, nor a substitute for a policy, but it preserves Arafat's role as a pawn, which is what Moscow, Cairo, Damascus, and even Amman find useful.

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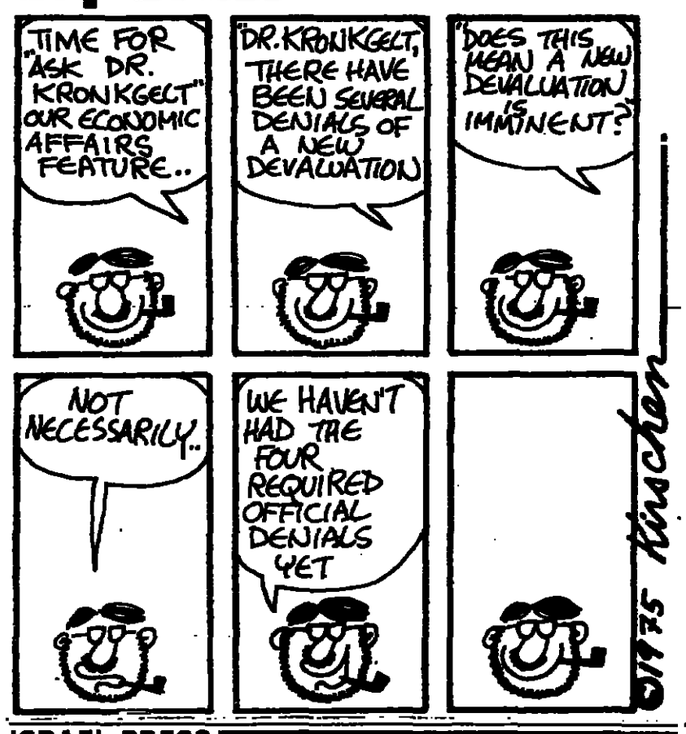

The lesson of the Ashkelon strike

The strike by the Ashkelon pipeline workers showed up as never before *the conflict between* company unions and the unions' central authority, the Histadrut. Jerusalem Post Economic Editor MOSHE ATER writes that an effort will now have to be made to develop a new pattern of labour relations, which includes direct contact between management and shop committees, coordinated by the Histadrut.

ISRAELIS now have the alternative of either doubting the efficacy of their police, which failed to subdue an unruly gang of Ashkelon pipeline workers, or assuming that their intervention was never meant to be taken seriously, that it was merely a show of force. The second view is, of course, by far the more plausible. Few will believe that a handful of unarmed strikers could defy the Israel authorities for over a fortnight if the latter were *willing to use force. On the* other hand, we have got used to the sight of our authorities applying strong-arm tactics, and then quickly climbing down, announcing that they had never intended a showdown, that a settlement could still be found if the pertinent details were properly studied. To this end, an arbitrator or a joint committee is then appointed, and eventually a secret peace formula is worked out, presented as an achievement, but actually granting most — if not all — — of the *demands originally rejected* as inacceptable.

Such precedents are too familiar to need enumeration. Some of the major precedents were in the transport sector — in the harbours, at Ben-Gurion Airport, in El Al — and are therefore well known to the Ashkelon strikers. At the pipeline itself the present conflict — including misdemeanour by the marine crews, lockout by the company, and eventual compromise — is only a repeat performance of the events of September last.

On the face of it, the police had to intervene in order to restore law and order. The task force was sent to the Ashkelon *sea-shore to apprehend the fugi*tive strikers. This official version was upheld by the courts, and given wide prominence by the media. However, as time went by, it became increasingly difficult to maintain. MKs and other VIPs established contact with the alleged law-breakers.' The strikers at sea were — secretly — interviewed on TV. The Histadrut Central Committee warned against applying *over-stiff penalties. The* Ashkelon Labour Council intervened on their behalf.

Right To Strike

It turns out — and not for the first time — that in a labour conflict, law and order, and the rules of conduct are ill-defined, and their application depends to a considerable extent on public opinion. And public opinion — by and large — supports the wage-earners' right to resort to strikes and sanctions even though this may involve trespass and cause enormous damage. Whether or not people agree with the strikers' specific demands, and with their conduct, they oppose any curtailment of their *recognized rights. The Histadrut* claims its prerogative to approve — or to veto — a strike action, and would like to act as a supreme, final arbiter. But in practice few expect this to be more than a face-saving formula.

The authorities' firm stand also had a doubtful ring from another point of view. The pipeline company has closed the oil harbour and thus discontinued its operations in a show of firmness. In this it followed the lead of El Al during the maintenance men's sanctions a few months ago. But in both cases the action was actually an admission of weakness. It revealed that the managements had no alternative schedule for running the project and that they had either to come to terms with the strikers or to shut down. The threat is not impressive, for few people will believe that Israel is going to close down its major, essential enterprises.

There has been much comment on "poor labour relations" or "lack of man-to-man understanding." But these are not concrete elements. There has in *fact been reluctance to accept* some of the changes that have taken place in our social fabric, and in particular the growing role of the spot (work, plant, job) labour groupings, in place of the earlier nationwide organization. The difference goes far beyond the oft-discussed gap between labour's leadership and the rank-and-file. It concerns the essentials of organized labour's aims and responsibility, and affects the entire structure of our democracy.

The trade union pattern developed in this country has always been directed from above. The Labour movement was a leading element in early Zionist history. The active role played in the Histadrut by political parties, and the close cooperation between the *Histadrut and the Labour* government, were the natural consequences of the Histadrut's origins. Local works committees — as grassroot bodies deriving *their authority from below* — do not altogether fit into this general concept. As a matter of fact, they have as yet no definite legal standing. A growing number of labour conflicts have been caused — or aggravated — — by lack of clarity as regards their function and responsibility.

Nevertheless, the importance of shop committees — only half-recognised though they m[illegible] in Israel — has grown ste[illegible] By now they have become [illegible] challenge to the trade u[illegible] central authorities. Rec[illegible] published figures show th[illegible] 1974 the number of worke[illegible] volved in "sanctions" — 1[illegible] official strikes — approxi[illegible] that of full strikers. Mor[illegible] two-thirds of the strikes we[illegible] approved, and took place [illegible] the validity of the labour [illegible] ment, which the local leade[illegible] parently felt not to be bind[illegible] them. This development h[illegible] doubtedly been strengthen[illegible] the erosion of nationwide [illegible] as a result of the rapid expa[illegible] of company unions, which [illegible] *care mainly about their* [illegible] ticular interests, and [illegible] mind clashing with His[illegible] headquarters.

New Policies Needed

The Ashkelon strike h[illegible] posed this conflict as [illegible] before. The strikers we[illegible] greatly worried by [illegible] withdrawal of Mr. Me[illegible] protection — and were [illegible] ported in their attitude by [illegible] other quarters. However [illegible] conflict has also shown th[illegible] Histadrut's authority c[illegible] usefully be upheld by poli[illegible] tion. An effort will now h[illegible] be made to develop a[illegible] pattern of labour rela[illegible] which includes direct co[illegible] *between management* and [illegible] committees, coordinated [illegible] Histadrut to ensure [illegible] economy's smooth oper[illegible] We should have no ill[illegible] about the difficulties inv[illegible] Experience both here [illegible] abroad has shown that [illegible] labour-management relati[illegible] not necessarily result in a[illegible] effort for the common wea[illegible] rather in sectional collus[illegible] the national expense. [illegible] overall policies are neede[illegible] there is no sense anymore [illegible] ing to avoid facing the pro[illegible]

PORTION OF THE WEEK

Ostensible revolutionaries

Sidra: Korah (Numbers 16-18)

CAIN, KORAH, Balaam, Doeg, Ahitofel, Gehazi, Absalom, Adoniahu, Uzziahu and Haman set their hearts on things that were not coming to them. But not only did they not attain what they coveted, but even what they already had was taken from them (Talmud Sota 9b).

Korah, first cousin to Moses, Aaron and Miriam, is jealous: Why should Moses be the national leader and Aaron the High Priest — a post which, like the entire Priesthood, will now forever go only to Aaron's descendants — while he, Korah, also a great-grandchild of Levi son of Jacob, is to be a mere Levite? So he goes agitating among the people — he and Datan and Aviram of the tribe of Reuben, Jacob's firstborn son who did not, however, get the birthright — and they organize a rebellion to which they manage to rally "250 Israelites, chieftains of the community, conveners of the assembly, men of good standing."

KORAH AND HIS FELLOW-TRAVELLERS don't come right out and say what they want. Like so many subsequent generations of ostensible revolutionaries, they hide behind slogans of egalitarianism, classless society, etc.: "They combined against Moses and Aaron and said to them: 'You are going too far! By what right do you set yourselves above God's congregation?' "

Not for the first — nor the last — time following the Exodus, God gets so angry with the Jews that He determines to "annihilate (all of) them in a single instant." Also not for the first or last time, Moses pleads with God. He and Aaron argue: "O God, source of the spirit of all mankind: if one man sins, will you take it out on the whole community?"

God relents, and only Korah and his fellow-travellers, including their families, are destroyed. Next day, "the whole Israelite community railed against Moses and Aaron, saying: 'You have brought death on some of God's people!' "

Again God determines to "make an end of them in a single instant." A plague breaks out, and again Moses and Aaron intervene successfully — but not before "14,700 die (in the plague), in addition to those who died on account of Korah's offence."

But Korah's sons dissociated themselves from their father's action and were saved. What is more, it is they who taught Moses, Aaron and the rest "how to sing before God" (Yalkut Shimoni, Korah, 752; Midrash Tehillim 1:15 and 45:1-6).

M.K.

POSTSCRIPTS

PRESS CENSORSHIP, which was *the subject of the symposium held* this week to commemorate the first anniversary of the death of this paper's editor, Ted Lurie, has been with us in this country for many years.

One of our colleagues was leafing through early volumes of the long-defunct "Palestine Weekly." In an editorial note in the issue of July 29, 1921, she found the following comment:

"How much longer will the Palestine press have to suffer the present Censorship?... It was one of the first liberal acts of the High Commissioner to abolish the Press censorship that had been instituted following the 1920 Easter attack in Jerusalem. On that occasion, His Excellency said that 'it is inadvisable to restrict the freedom of the Press more than is actually required.'

"It is difficult to believe that the severe and, if we may say so, not always judicious exicising, from which 'The Palestine Weekly' has suffered recently is actually required for the safety of the country... The delay and extra trouble that is caused for a newspaper that has to submit all its material for examination before publication is another, if small, disadvantage of an indiscriminate censorship."

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THERE MUST BE quite a few of our readers who have never heard of "orienteering." But they will be able to get acquainted with this new sporting activity at the end of this year.

Orienteering is not a printer's error, but is the name now given to a six to 12 km. cross-country run, *usually over difficult terrain*, in which the competitors are guided only by a scale map and compass to find their way. They have to pass a number of control points on the way to qualify, but are allowed to explore the easiest route, provided they check in at each point.

(To some of our readers this will sound like an army exercise).

An Israeli branch has now been affiliated to the International Orienteering Federation, and the first international event to be held in Israel will take place from December 26 to January 5. Hundreds of enthusiasts from abroad, particularly from Europe where the sport is now popular, are expected to attend the meet which will include three days of competition (for a "Christmas Cup"), a symposium and sightseeing tours. The chairman *of the Israel Association*, Mr. T.S. Goren, told our Haifa reporter that the cross-country run will be in the hills of Nazareth, Galilee and Jerusalem.

Y. F.

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THIS YEAR'S "Miss Universe" beauty-contest, to be held in San Salvador next month, is running up against international politics, we learn from a Reuter report.

Eighteen year old Yasmin Salahi was elected "Miss Turkish Cypriot Federated State" last weekend and thought she was all set to go to Central America for the finals. But the Paris-based organizer of the European and Middle East section of the contest now says he has had to withdraw the invitation to Yasmin following pressure from the Cypriot Embassy in Paris, which declared that representation by the "Turkish Cypriot Federated State" was not possible. The Turkish Embassy, in *the French capital*, on the other hand, said the Cypriot Embassy had no jurisdiction over the TCFS.

The Cypriot spokesman maintained that a Turkish Cypriot Federated State did not exist — it had been declared by the Turkish Cypriots, but was not recognised by anyone except Turkey and "you can't represent a country which does not exist."

Poor Yasmin. But at least she knows that she is the prettiest girl in the Turkish areas of Cyprus.

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WE DO NOT KNOW whether Jewish *Agency emissaries are properly* briefed before they are sent out on their various missions, but it is quite clear that they should be warned before leaving home that they are going to become as much like gold*fish in glass bowls as* are our diplomatic representatives.

We have a friend whose connection with the foreign service goes back to the very early days [illegible] *State of Israel when our newly* [illegible] ed diplomats had to play it all [illegible] and rely on their instincts. Sh[illegible] that she learned the hard wa[illegible] she had become a goldfish an[illegible] whatever she did was going [illegible] criticized by someone. It [illegible] "New Australian" Je[illegible] shoemaker in Sydney who br[illegible] things home to her.

Finding that two pairs of he[illegible] comfortable shoes needed he[illegible] she asked her domestic help [illegible] them across the road to the J[illegible] cobbler (yes, she did have [illegible] household help and no, she ca[illegible] take the shoes herself as she h[illegible] go to a Wizo meeting that mor[illegible]

"These shoes are both for th[illegible] of the Israeli consul?" [illegible] shoemaker asked in a cross [illegible] "Two pairs of shoes *she has* t[illegible] repaired with the money I put [illegible] *JNF* blue box?"

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The book, written and illus[illegible] by a health educator at San [illegible] *cisco Hospital, first came out* [illegible] according to AP.

ISRAEL PRESS

Suez Canal reopens

MA'ARIV (independent) points out that Egypt, in a shrewd propaganda move, has made the opening of the Suez Canal into... "A huge demonstration for Peace... whereas it is in fact direct Egyptian interests that are served by the Canal open*ing, and, indirectly, Russian* interests as well." Israel has no reason to share in Egypt's rejoicing, which is a flagrant violation of the commitments undertaken by Cairo under the *separation agreement*. An open Canal through which neither Israeli shipping nor Israeli cargoes can pass is, first and foremost, testimony of Egypt's intention to return to conditions as they were *prior to 1967*, when Israel had no "occupied territories" and Egypt maintained a state of war notwithstanding."

READERS' LETTERS

Egyptian aid to victims of the Sinai floods

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — After having read your report *of May 6 concerning the aid* received from the Egyptian Government for the victims of the rains and floods in Sinai, the Mayor, the head of the Red Crescent Society, the Sheikhs and the notables of El Arish contacted the I.C.R.C. delegate in El Arish and showed him the aid which was in the stores. He observed that the complete aid was still available in the sealed stores of the Society.

Arrangements are still being made to calculate the number of victims prior to distribution of the aid. Distribution to victims among the Beduin and city residents in all Sinai will start on May 17.

NAHIB YOUSEF EL BEIK,
Chief of the Municipality
SHEIKH ALI HUSEIN
EL MALEK, R.C.S.

El Arish, May 10.

The above letter has only just been received by *The Jerusalem Post* and refers to an article reporting that the Sinai Beduin had complained that Egyptian aid had not reached them. — *Ed. J.P.*

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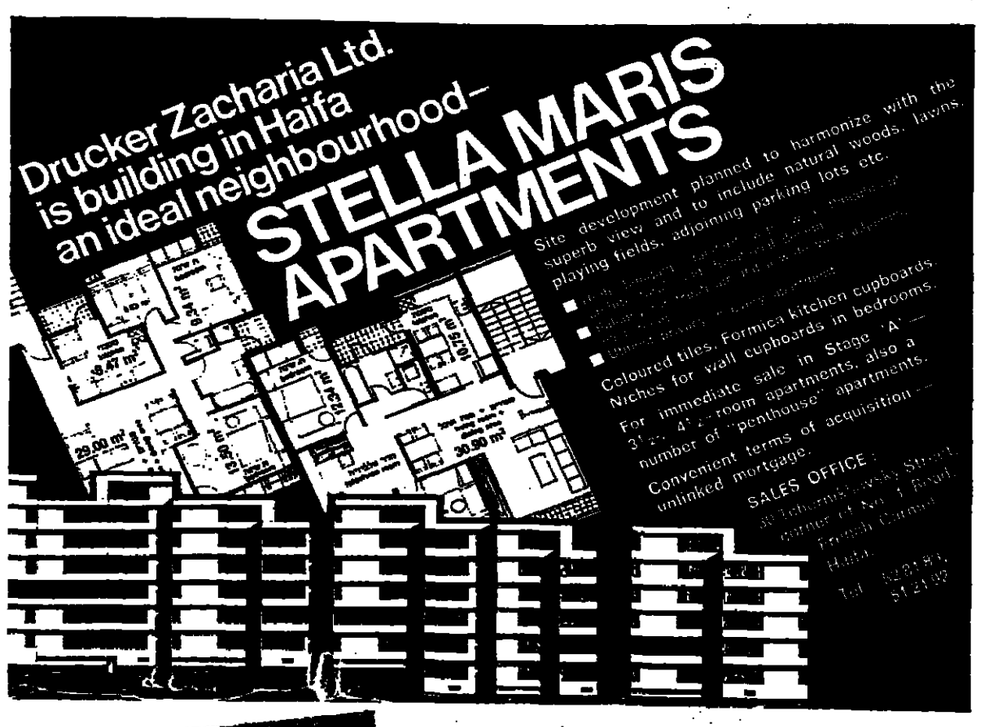

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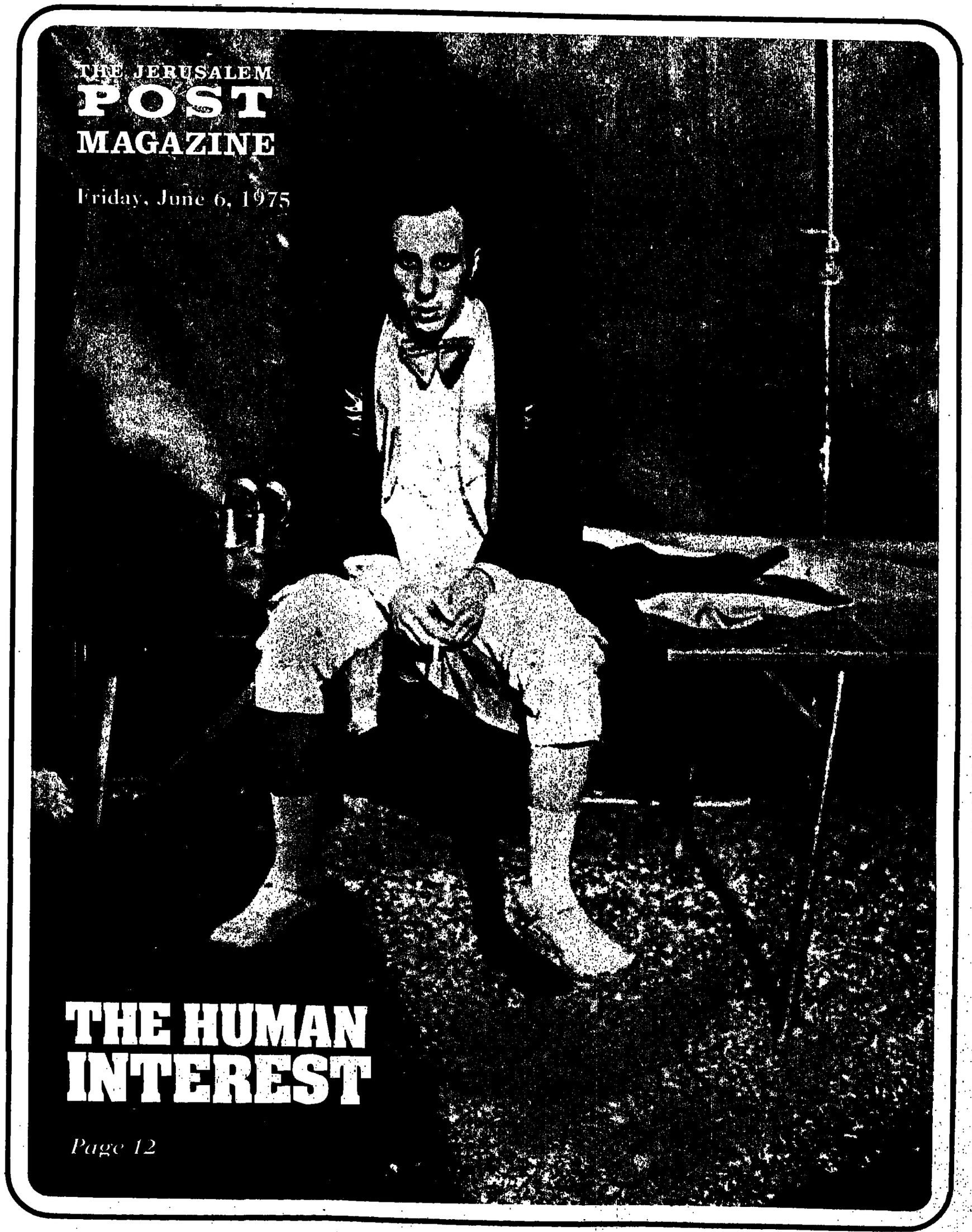

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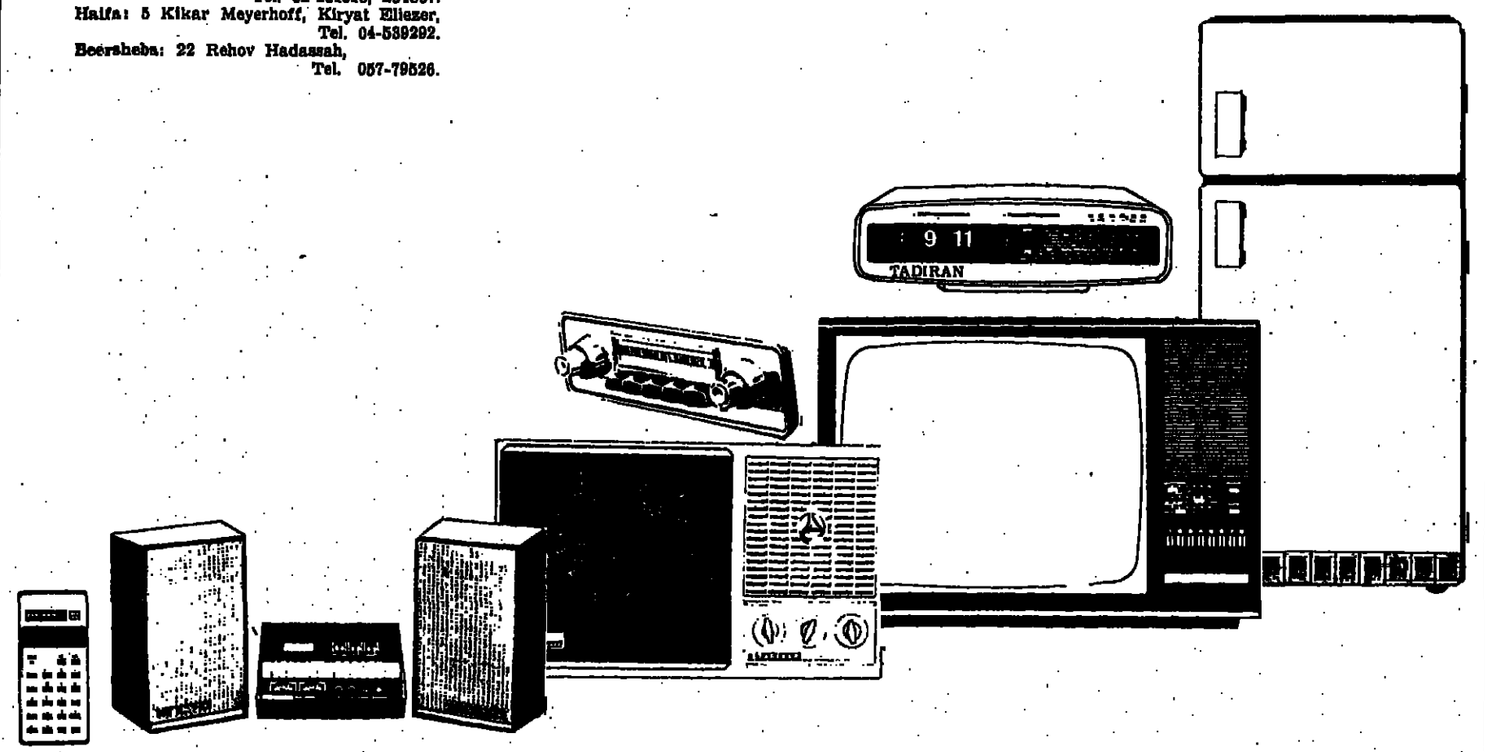

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CALEB'S COLUMN
Ernie Meyer

Public service

THE STRIKING oil port workers in their tugboats are making waves that not only swamp police boats but also rock other parts of the labour force.

According to Finance Ministry sources, the maritime workers earn gross salaries between IL4,500 and IL5,000. Added to this are generous social benefits and about IL5,000 in transportation allowances. A civil servant, on the other hand, grade 11, with five years' experience, earns IL1,707. Two grades higher, with seven years' experience, he earns IL2,007.

It is Interior Ministry clerks of these and other grades who this week earned the praise of their management for never stooping to strike threats in negotiations about compensation for changed working conditions.

The Interior Ministry staff agreed to renegotiate an arrangement under which offices are open to the public two afternoons a week. They had sought to abolish the arrangement, introduced five months ago, because compensation for their extra effort was only between IL12-15 a month.

THE EXTRA HOURS on Mondays and Wednesdays were made possible by making some workers come in 2½ hours later and adding the time to the end of the day. The arrangement concerned only about a third of the total of 750 workers. And these would only be "inconvenienced" on a rotation basis two or three times a month.

Ideally, the civil servants should have taken the change in their stride, accepting it as a welcome opportunity to improve their service to the public. But in the present labour climate they felt the change entitled them to greater benefits. Not able to "take off to sea," they merely threatened to cancel the arrangement.

It is to the credit of the Ministry staff and management that they are now working out a solution to the problem.

A READER'S SUGGESTION for increasing road safety, which we published in December 1972, bears repeating — it's so simple. Benjamin Gutman of Jerusalem wrote that if you can't educate, cajole or force drivers into observing the rules, try paying them.

According to Mr. Gutman, each violation-free year of driving should earn the driver a rebate on his annual licence fee. At the time he suggested between IL25 and IL50, but he might want to up these figures now. The rebates were to be cumulative from year to year.

Mr. Gutman also envisaged windshield stickers indicating the number of years a driver had earned his rebates. When he suggested, however, that in addition to their cash value these stickers might also become "coveted badges of honour," his earlier realism ($$$) was perhaps deserting him.

Only recently the Transport Minister said that in 1974 accidents caused the economy damage in the amount of IL1,500,000,000 — that's one and a half billion pounds.

Even a small reduction in accidents would offset the loss in registration fee income.

This may be a wild bargain.

BIBLICAL BYWAYS
L. I. Rabinowitz

A land flowing

THERE WAS, in my father's synagogue in London, an old gentleman whose extreme piety was matched only by his extreme ignorance in matters Jewish, a failing which he tried desperately to conceal. And he had one favorite ploy.

The beautiful 104th Psalm is known to every synagogue goer, practically by heart, since not only is it recited on each Rosh Hodesh, but during the winter months it is read every Sabbath afternoon during the Minha service. As a result the description of wine that "delighteth the heart of man" has become almost proverbial in those circles.

Less familiar, however, is a parallel verse in praise of wine in Koheleth (Ecclesiastes) which says simply "And wine delighteth life." After the existence of this particular verse was brought to his notice, the old gentleman made full use of it in order to parade his "knowledge." He would deliberately choose an opportunity of quoting this latter verse and when his interlocutor "corrected" him, and pointed out that the verse is not "And wine delighteth life" but "And wine delighteth the heart of man," he would triumphantly shout at him, "Am Ha-aretz! Ignoramus! You don't know your Bible as I do. I was quoting the verse from Koheleth 10.19."

One could surely play the same game with one of the best known phrases of the Bible, which occurs in a totally unexpected and strange context in this week's portion (as well as in its usual context in the next verse). Who does not know the phrase "A Land flowing with milk and honey"? And who does not know that it is the description par excellence of the Land of Israel, to such an extent that the two are regarded as practically synonymous, and, in fact, it is repeated no less than 19 times in the Bible.

Yet in this week's portion, the arch rebel Koraoh uses it to describe not the Land of Israel, but — Egypt! For not only does he accuse Moses that "thou hast not brought us into a land flowing with milk and honey" (Numbers 16:14), but he asks rhetorically, "is it a small thing that thou hast brought us up out of a land flowing with milk and honey"! (Numbers 16:13).

But the "misrepresentation" does not end there. For whether applied, as in Korach's case, to Egypt, or whether in its usual application, the phrase is a synonym for abundance and plenty. Yet in Isaiah 7:22 the prophet refers to the eating of milk (actually butter) and honey, as a symbol of—hunger! The land will be devastated by the enemy, the people will be reduced to eating what they can find, the milk of animals, abandoned and roaming, the products of untended fruit trees: —"Milk and butter shall they eat, all that are left in Zion."

TWO-IN-ONE CROSSWORD

Use the same diagram for either the Easy or the Cryptic puzzle.

EASY PUZZLE

ACROSS

1 Riches (6)
7 Outward- (8)
8 Masculine (4)
10 Required (6)
11 Illustrate (6)
14 Mesh (3)
16 Recess (5)
17 Reproach (4)
19 Scorch (5)
21 Light boat (5)
22 Bet (5)
23 Pace (4)
26 Fight (5)
28 Stick (3)
29 Sea maps (6)
30 Junction (6)
31 Was in debt (4)
32 Former (5)
33 Attempting (6)

DOWN

1 Injuries (6)
2 Chief (6)
3 Attention (4)
4 Retaliation (7)
5 Caper (5)
6 Roofing material (5)
8 Bill of fare (4)
9 Permit (3)
12 Steak and kidney ? (3)
13 Selected (6)
15 Collier (5)
18 Meal (5)
19 Droop (3)
20 Neither (3)
21 Skipper (7)
22 Hostilities (3)
23 Certainly (5)
24 Look after (4)
25 Trimming (6)
26 Rage (5)
27 Local taxes (5)
28 Farm animal (3)
30 Price (4)

CRYPTIC PUZZLE

ACROSS

1 Some co-operative worker (6)
7 Too young for overtime ? (5, 3)
8 Part or whole, we hear (4)
10 Fed on inx, maybe, but not poisoned ! (6)
11 Welsh duenna ? (6)
14 Imagined drink (3)
15 Cornish fairy's spiky contrivance (5)
17 Talk wildly about a tarn (4)
18 One way to help the sober (5)
21 Bad news denied by Best (5)
23 Give an inflated price ? (3, 2)
25 Paper girl (4)
26 We appear in force (5)
28 Low abuse of Mrs Garnett (3)
29 Bad war trophies ? (6)
30 Be less severe: about time, too ! (6)
31 Are they instrumental in making claw ? (4)
32 Tells of near things at the polls (5)
33 Take a gentlemanly attitude to blondes (5)

DOWN

1 It makes things hot for you (6)
2 Cash in the margin (6)
3 A sound measure, albeit regretted (4)
4 Beastly hole a speculator may get into ? (4, 2)
5 Criminal jokes about a Pole (5)
6 Girl with heads? (5)
8 Sing madly in the shower ! (4)
9 Yesterday's boys (3)
13 Help with a pronounced trade deficit (3)
13 Animal with a fine head (5)
15 Walking stick ? (5)
16 Not always helpful pointer ! (5)
19 It's saucy and outwardly sappy ! (3)
20 One price for a snake (3)
21 Street fighting, very stubborn (7)
22 Fifty period piece ? (3)
23 Tailless pitman's dog ! (6)
24 Shoemaking tools (4)
25 One who adds to his junky collection (7)
28 Will he play out with a growl ? (5)
27 Timely bony of men (5)
24 Cry not entirely music to one's ears (3)
30 Harsh sound of a tool (4)

Wednesday's Cryptic solution

ACROSS.—1, Ch-est. 6, Cents. 9, Hide-out. 10, Twain. 11, Re-hinn. 12, C-lean. 13, Saltles. 15, Lot. 17, Ah-O-y. 18, Comely. 19, Later. 20, Setter. 23, Rose (Mary). 24, A-Ll. 25, Ascents. 26, C-rime. 27, Rowan. 28, Erich. 29, Seizure. 30, Aster. 31, Adi-O-s.

DOWN.—2, How-dah. 3, Shirty. 4, Tin. 5, Wells. 6, Curator. 7, E-to-N. 8, Tassel. 12, Cedar. 13, Balm. 14, Tosti. 15, Lemon. 16, Types. 18, C(R)case. 19, Learner. 21, Elbows. 22, RE-a-red. 23, Stucco. 25, A-maze. 26, Case. 28, Era.

Wednesday's Easy solution

ACROSS.—1, Broth. 6, Small. 9, Remance. 10, Stout. 11, Aside. 12, North. 13, Feather. 15, Fed. 17, Envy. 18, Desire. 19, Fever. 20, Gilder. 22, Mane. 24, Not. 25, Tubular. 26, Liver. 27, Skein. 28, Minus. 29, Measles. 30, Stops. 31, Threw.

DOWN.—2, Rotten. 3, Trusty. 4, Hot. 5, Manor. 6, Scatter. 7, Mesh. 8, Ledger. 12, Never. 13, Feign. 14, Avoid. 15, Final. 16, Defer. 18, Demur. 19, Felines. 21, Locket. 22, Mulish. 23, Nature. 26, Tense. 28, Limp. 29, Met.

SOLUTIONS TO TODAY'S PUZZLES ON MONDAY

Out of the Ordinary

BRIDGE
By George Levinrew

Both vul

North
♠ Q 10 8 5 2
♡ A 8 6 3
◇ 7
♣ A Q 6 2

West
♠ J
♡ Q J 5
◇ A K 10 8 4 2
♣ K J 7

East
♠ 9 7 6 4 3
♡ 10 9 2
◇ 7 5 3
♣ 5 4

(South (D))
♠ A K
♡ K 7 4
◇ Q J 9 6
♣ 10 9 5 3

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1 NT	Dble	Redble	2 ♠
Pass	3 ◇	4 ◇	Pass
4 ♠	All Pass		

The bidding in part was out of the ordinary, and at one stage South was out of his element in today's deal from a Jerusalem duplicate bridge tournament.

Let us review the bidding. South's opening was a very good weak NT. When West doubled South sighed, saying to himself: "no hope for game." I do not like the double by West because of the great weakness in spades. However, West did have an independent ◇ suit, and other than for the singleton ♠ the hand was sufficiently strong for the take out double. North had a potentially game going hand, and his redouble pointed the way to making a game or lambasting his opponents.

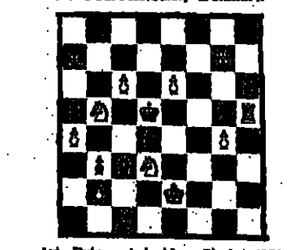
Perhaps East should have passed, but under the circumstances his bid was a natural effort to escape, since he believed that he would find some kind of fit with partner. West quite naturally showed his diamonds. North could not see that doubling diamonds would easily net 800 points. He therefore pushed to game by his one bid of 4 ◇.

It was here that South felt out of his element. He would have liked 3 NT. He did not have four hearts to warrant bidding this suit. His clubs seemed too ragged. He finally said to himself "let partner solve this one," and he temporarized with his bid of 4 ♠. This left the way open for North to bid 4 NT or 5 ♣. North knew that South had to have at least two spades. He could not see that 6 ♣ was a make. And when North passed the 4 ♠ bid South was indeed shocked. He exclaimed to himself "No, no!" So here he was the declarer with only a two card suit, withal the Ace and K.

The play was not difficult. The opening lead of the ◇ K was ruffed. A ♠ was led to the K; the ♣ 9 was played wining the trick; the ◇ Q forced the Ace and was ruffed in dummy. The ♡ K won the next trick; the ◇ Q held; the ♣ Q won a finesse. The ♡ Ace won the eighth trick, and declarer had to win two more ♠ tricks making his contract. South indeed sighed with relief.

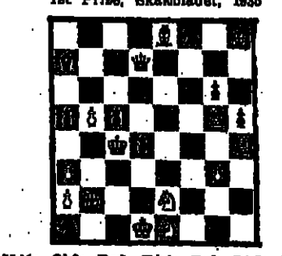
CHESS / Eliahu Shahaf

Problem No. 2621
W. JORGENSEN, Denmark



1st Prize, Arbejder Sjak, 1950
Ke2; Qg7; Rc1, Rh5; Ba7; Kth5, Kt4d5; Pg4, b3, c6, e6, g4. (12)
Kd5; Re6; Kt4g5; Pa4, b3, d4, h6. (7)
White mates in two (2x)

Problem No. 2622
K. MANNEMANN, Denmark
1st Prize, Skakbladet, 1935



Kd1; Qb3; Rg6, Rh1; Be8, Bh8; Rte1, Kte2; Pa3, a3, b5, g3. (13)
Kt4; Qd7; Ba7; Kta1, Kt5; Pa5, c5, d4, h5. (10)
White mates in three (3x)

SOLUTIONS. Problem No. 2617 (Verdonk). 1.Kt:f5! (Problem No. 2618 (Niemeijer). 1.Rd1 thr. 2.Rd7+; 1.— Rd8 2.Q:g2+; 1.— Bd4 2.Qg5+; 1.— Bd6 2.Rd5, Problem No. 2619 (Ruppin). Mrs. Rete Berahtel claims a cook in four, vis.: 1.d1c Bb7 2.e6 Rd8 3.B:f3+ Rd4 4.B:d4x; 1.— Rd8 2.e:dQ f:e 3.Qf8 and 4.Qb4x.

BOVIN — ZAGREB 1975

Hungary's young Grandmaster Giula Sax carried off the first place in this event with 5½ points out of 18 games. Tied second were V. Kovacevic, Y. Nikolac (both Yugoslavia) and V. Czechkovski (USSR) with 5 points each. There were some notable failures by the favourites: L. Ljubojevic and U. Andersson, who went through unbeaten in Las-Palmas, tied 7th; Grandmaster G. Kusmin of the USSR was 9th; M. Matulovic, who recently won the strong Birmingham tournament, finished in the 13th place. Hazardous play cost Ljubojevic three defeats in a row at the start. Here is an instructive example.

Sicilian Defence

L. LJUBOJEVIC — K. HULAK

1.e4 c5 2.c3 d5 3.Kf3 Kt6 4.e5 d4 5.Kt:d4 Kt:e5 6.Bg5 g6 7.0-0 Bg7 8.Re1 0-0 9.e3 Qc7 10.e:d Kt:d5 11.Kt:d4 b6 12.Kg5 Bb7 13.Qg4 Rad8 14.R:e6! h6! 15.Kt:f7 Q:f7 16.Qe2 Kt:c3! 17.b:c Bc3 18.B:c6 B:c6 19.Bb2 Rde8 20.B:c6 R:e6 21.Kte5 Qf3 22.Qf4 Qf5 23.Re1 Rde8 24.d4 c:d 25.Qd4 d:c 26.K:f6 Qe3 27.Qb3 Kf7 28.R:d1 Kf8 29.Rd5 Qe7 30.Kt:d4 Re4 31.Kt:b5 Qc4 32.Kt:c3 Re1+ 33.Kg2 Qf1+ 34.Kf3 Re1—e3+, and White soon resigned.

Pirc-Ufimtsev Defence

A. PLANINO — R. KEENEN

1.e4 g6 2.d4 d6 3.Kt:f3 Bg7 4.Bc2 Kt:f6 5.Kt:e3 0-0 6.00 e5 7.h3 h5 8.e5 Kt:e5 9.B:f4 Kt:f7 10.Qd2 Bb7 11.R:f1 Kt:h6 12.Bh6 Qc7 13.h4 Rd8 14.e6 f:e 15.h:g5 g:h 16.R:h8 Kt:e4 17.Qg5 Rf8 18.B:h7 K:h7 19.Kte4 Rg8 20.Qe1 Kt:f6 21.Kt:g3 c5 22.dKt:c—e3 23.B:f5 Kt:f5 24.Kt:f5 e:f4 25.Kt:h4 R:h4 26.Qg5+ Kh8 27.Kt:f6 Bc6 28.Qh6 e5 29.Kt:e8 Qg7 30.Qh7 e:d 31.Kt:d5 Rh6 32.Qg3 Rg6 33.Qf3 R:g2+ 34.Kf1 Rg1+ 35.Ke2 Re8+. White resigns.

INTERESTING RADIO MATCH

Sicilian Defence

KRISTIANSEN (Norway) — RANTANEN (Finland)

1.e4 c5 2.Kt:f3 e6 3.d4 c:d 4.Kt:d4 a6 5.Kt:c3 Be6 6.Kt:e3 Ke7 7.Kt:c3 Kt:c6 8.0-0 Kt:f3 9.Kt:f3 d5 10.e:d Kt:d5 11.Qg4 Kf8 12.Kt:d5 e:d 13.Qh5 Kth4 14.Bg5 f6 15.Bd3 Kt:d3 16.c:d g6 17.Qh6+. Kf7 18.R:e1 Bb5 19.Ba5! Bc7 20.B:c7 Q:c7 21.Re3 Bd7 22.Rae1 Rae8 23.R:e8 B:e8 24.Kt:d4 Bd7 25.Re7+ K:e7 26.Qe7+ Kd8 27.Q:f6+ Re6! 28.Qle8+ Kc8 29.Q:g7 Qd8 30.Kt:b5+ Kb8 31.Kt:d4+ Kc8! 32.Qe5 Kt:d5 33.Kt:e6 Qc8 34.Qd4+ Kc8 35.Qc5+ Kb7 36.Q:d5+ Ka7 37.Kt:c5 Re8! 38.h3 Qe3 39.Qd4 Kb7 40.Kt:e4 Qe1+ 41.Kh2 Qf4+ 42.g3 Qe5 43.Qb6 Re7. Draw.

TELEVISION / Philip Gillon

The road back

EVERY NOW AND THEN Israel Television provides us with a television drama that revives our sagging hopes that the medium can make a major contribution to the country's creative arts, quite apart from the impressive achievements in newscasting, documentaries and satirical products. Such a show was Yehoshua Sobol's "Hafif," on Monday night.

The picture certainly had its weaknesses, the main one being the usual Israeli love of stereotypes on film. It is all too easy to take out of the drawer the usual arrogant boss, the Israeli labourer, the barmaid with the heart of gold, the keyman cad running the Workers' Committee, the prejudiced newspaperman, and this picture erred in having all of these. The story too was a threadbare one — the worker who comes home from a long period of reserve duty, to find his job on the crane given to another, and his wife unfaithful with the cad. What was new was that she and that scoundrel had also smashed up poor Rafi's car, reminding me of the heartless girl of the old song who stole my Ford car to run away with my best friend.

THE SITUATION, I suspect, was borrowed from overseas themes of the two world wars, where men were away for years, and wives either enlisted or went to work, finding service to their country and solace for their loneliness in new environments, and sometimes in other men's arms. By and large, I think, most marriages can stand separations of 200 days (with some leave inserted), and Israeli soldiers with permanent jobs are in theory fully protected; it was the small independent artisans and shopkeepers who were hard hit. Thus it was sometimes hard to suspend disbelief in the theme.

Despite these reservations, the film was excellent: some of the actors, particularly Zeev Revah as Rafi and Jackie Cohen as his friend, transcended the typecasting, fleshed out the characters, had hot blood running in their veins. The background of the port was used with an effect of complete authenticity; our sympathies were entirely engaged by the stevedores, no easy foat in a society which has been trained to look upon them as the villains in the sketch. The twists of the plot were absorbing; we wondered all the time how poor Rafi would eventually surmount his apparently insurmountable problems, and I for one was rather indignant when the film ended abruptly, leaving us to speculate about what would happen afterwards.

A most commendable effort, and I hope we will get more of the same. No doubt some stuffed shirt will object that the film showed unfaithful wives, callous employers, arrogant shop stewards, smuggling stevedores, etc. etc., and so was calculated to lower morale. I note, for example, that the Minister of Education Aharon Yadlin, objects to TV showing the seamy side of Israeli life. TV can only hold a mirror up to nature: if Yadlin doesn't like what he sees on his TV screen, he must change the country's habits.

MANY PEOPLE were annoyed at our TV showing the British version of Chekov's play "Patonov," because of the portrayal of the villainous Jew who out-Shylocked Shylock and out-Fagined Fagin.

"The Jewish Connection": a documentary on a visit by the U.J.A. Junior Division to Israel. Thursday, 9.00 p.m.

The critics may have a point. Personally, I find the British so funny when they try to become Russians, Germans or Americans — or, for that matter, Jews — that I can never take them sufficiently seriously to get mortally offended by these grotesque caricatures. This film made me think of an upper-class English family, with intellectual pretensions, getting together on a week-end, and trying to alleviate boredom by playing charades. Somebody suggested to Rex Harrison and his playmates that they should try to depict degenerate Russian aristocrats drinking and whoring, Russian peasants poaching and killing, Russian Jews buying the property of the said degenerate aristocrats in the names of nominees, and throwing the undeserving rich out into the snow at Christmas.

So Rex jumps up, and cries, "Oh, I say, what a jolly idea, good show, old man," and they all dress up in the dowager's clothes they find in the attic, and have such a lovely romp.

At no stage was any real effort made to carry conviction, the laughs went to the best caricatures — the libertine, the drunk, the pistol-packing mamma, the villainous Jew, none of them was ever intended to be taken seriously, so I for one was not mortally offended.

"ALL THE BEGINNINGS" brought us quite a different kettle of fish, parts of a film based on a story by a Lithuanian Jewish immigrant, Yitzhak Marass. Writing in Lithuanian, he was apparently a well-established novelist, and I can understand why: the extracts from "On What Does the World Stand?" were terrifying. He himself, fishing with limited success in the Mediterranean instead of in the Baltic — he now lives in Holon — was a very attractive, modest and engaging person, who has obviously pondered deeply about what he writes. I hope that he will overcome his difficulties here, and will write something really worth while and imaginative about what it is like to be a newcomer in the Jewish state.

MATTI GOLAN made a good and effective impression when he appeared on "Tonight"; he certainly seems to have behaved strictly in accordance with Israeli law, and to have been treated in a high-handed way. Perhaps this might make a good subject for a Moked, with the Censor explaining his actions? The Rabin Moked was first-rate: the three interrogators — Shlomo Aaronsohn abandoned his official role as questionmaster to join with Shalom Rosenfeld and Hanna Zemer — were shrewd and knowledgeable, and the Prime Minister was in good form, calm, cool and collected. He takes a judicious and rational attitude to the great questions of the day, avoiding the traps of dogmatism and reiteration. I liked his crack that he doubted whether the three questioners could agree on a policy.

RADIO / Helga Dudman

Talking back

"OPEN MICROPHONE," the First Channel's latest entertainment-plus-ecology programme (Saturday afternoon, 5:30 to 7) is ideally suited to the Israeli character, because it gives almost everybody a chance to talk back at almost everybody else.

The theatre was the major topic last Saturday, the second instalment of this multi-level talk show (produced by Edna Shavit and Oded Bar). It was preceded by Josie Katz, on the telephone, giving some not very instructive comments on folk singer Tim Hardin; a baby crying in the background put in the counterpoint on this one.

From here we went straight into a potted analysis of Oedipus Rex, and the appearance of the myth through centuries of drama, leading up to Nissim Aloni's "Eddie King." And here the Open Microphone had a fine time, interviewing Habima audiences.

"Very interesting"; "I don't like it"; "Wonderful — I'm seeing it for the fifth time", were some of the largely enthusiastic comments. Then there was an invitation to listeners to phone in their comments. Meanwhile, a discussion between two professional theatre critics on the new play, both pretty negative.

Next, while waiting for the studio phone to ring, we had a quick interlude with a new Bob Dylan record, preceded by a reverent introduction to Dylan, who sings more and more through his nose.

Enter now, Moshe Nathan, a friend of Eddie King's author (it does sound like a title — but that was "Friends of Eddie Coyle") taking issue with the drama critics' treatment of the play, and pointing with pleasure to the audience reactions. The two in the studio, Mr. Nathan said, at least were doing their job objectively, but previous reviews in the Hebrew press aroused his ire.

Enter Sonia, on the telephone. (This sounds more confusing than it was. Actually, the format is well suited to radio, although in script form, as here, it is rather like "The Audience Who Came to Dinner".) Sonia agreed with Moshe that the two radio critics did their job better than those in the press, with Ha'aretz's Gamzu particularly singled out for "irrelevance." Sonia quoted a local teenager at the play, who said, "I feel as though I were in London!"

NEXT, a Joni Mitchell record, again preceded by a respectful mini-analysis. Cut, now, to a patient architect and town planner, Elisha Gat, who had been sitting in the studio all along. No comments from him on Eddie King or Joni Mitchell, but rather a plan to solve big-city housing problems — specifically, the drift of young couples to "bedroom suburbs" leaving the kindergarten-and-school infrastructure in the city empty. His suggestion is to build flats for young couples on the roofs of existing buildings.

There is much to be said on this and on the infrastructure of the problems giving birth to it; but after a short while Joni Mitchell came back, leaving urban irrationality still with us. And on to an issue which has aroused flaming emotions in the theatre world here, but of which most of us are unaware.

This has to do with the recent departure from Israel of an English director, Mike Alfreds, who left a day after flinging a stinging critique of Israeli actors in the local press: "They are totally undisciplined, and when you ask how they are all they ever say is that they are 'tired and don't feel well'."

Reactions to this came from Oded Kotler and Zaharira Harifai; further reactions on this particular scandal in a teacup are expected to continue on future broadcasts. But it is doubtful whether our agitated attention-span is long enough for such continuity, for no word was heard this time on the issue which dominated the opening broadcast the previous Saturday. (On the other hand, we may have been more gripped at the time than we realize, because I would swear that the 6 p.m. news was somehow forgotten by the button-pushers, in the excitement of the moment.)

Last week's ecology topic involved the proposed heavy-traffic artery around the Old Port area of Tel Aviv, described so attractively in "Marketing with Martha" last week. On that programme we heard David Shifman, the private-car-owner's representative in the Municipality, who is probably all in favour of turning sidewalks into parking lots (and who is not to be confused with the Egged spokesman, Mordechai Shifman). Last week Shifman was taken to task by Knesset Members Tamir and Schechterman, all of whom are united by Gahal but divided by "quality of life" considerations — or else it could mean that ecology is "good" when you are in the opposition but "impractical" when you hold an assistant-mayorship.

But no follow-up came through this week, though some of Mr. Shifman's views verge on the ludicrous in Israel, such as that cars should not be accessible only for the rich.

The idea of packaging entertainment together with ecology is a good one. The latter is a boring but crucial subject and needs sugar-coating. The two are often intertwined in real life, as when discotheques or blaring loudspeakers keep the neighbours awake...

One listener's complaint — and he is not the only one — has to do with the schedule change that moved the First Channel's "Middle East Magazine" from its Saturday afternoon spot to Sunday evening after the 8 p.m. news. This instructive programme brings not only punditry on Arab subjects, but also details on daily living (from newspapers, interviews, films, literature, and so on), of which nearly all of us are woefully ignorant.

In its new spot, this broadcast must now compete with television's popular "Youth Magazine." The point of the change can only have been to "beef up" the First Channel's evening offerings — which seems to be an example of the "competition principle" run wild. Why should two public-service broadcasting outlets be locked in strife, as though they were soap powders?

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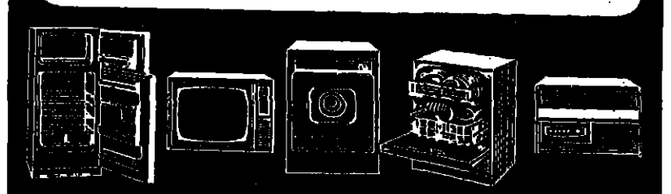

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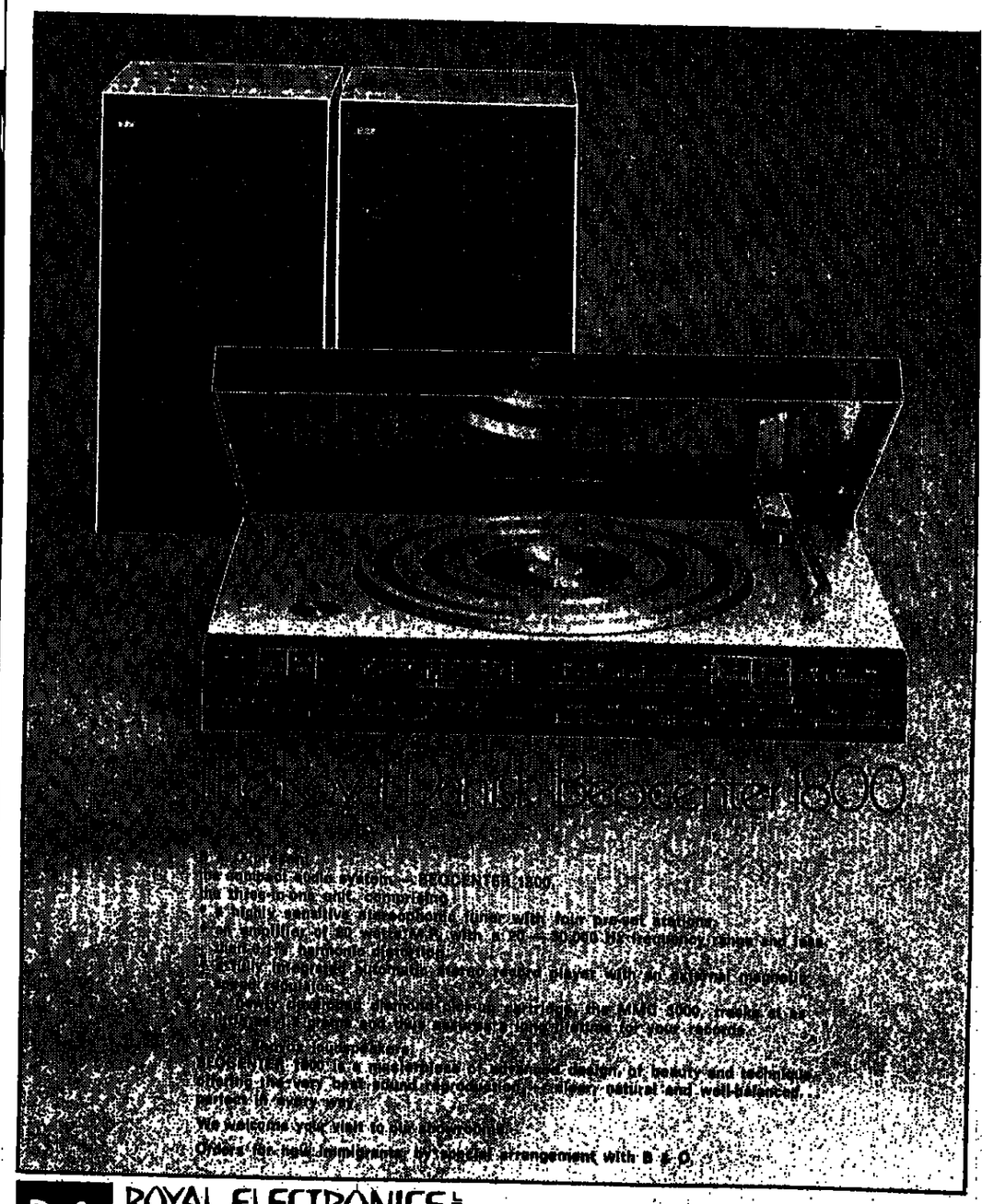

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THEATRE / Mendel Kohansky

Funny and cruel

A BUNKER on the Golan Heights in the final days of the Yom Kippur War is manned by a motley crew of five men rather old for soldiering, each a veteran of one or more campaigns. The lieutenant had to go away, and left Sergeant Resnick in charge. Resnick is Mr. Average, an office clerk in civilian life, who hates soldiering and hates even more being in a position of command. He is constantly needled by Almog, an intellectual with a Ph.D. in mathematics, a sharp tongue and a cynical manner. At the opposite end of the social scale is Kodesh, a hot-blooded Moroccan with a chip on his shoulder, a labourer in civilian life, living with his wife and three children in one room. Another proletarian in the group is Fedida, a gravestone cutter of Tunisian origin (as a young man he had to part with the girl he loved because her Moroccan mother wouldn't let the girl marry a fellow from Tunisia), a lively and clever though unlettered man. The oldest of the crew is Stern, a pious resident of Bnei Brak, who spends much time keeping his bunk neat and disappears every few minutes carrying a roll of toilet paper.

The provailing mood in the bunker is of boredom, which the men try to dissipate by teasing each other, using a great deal of obscenity in doing so, by drinking and smoking hashish. Resnick is the unhappiest of them all, the role of commander fitting him as poorly as his uniform. His immediate task is to assign soldiers to one unpleasant task — cleaning up a clogged toilet, and a dangerous one — a bit of demolition work in Dikla, up front.

AS FOR THE latter, the solution arrives in the person of Eyal, a youngster of 22, handsome, athletic, well heeled. No sooner does he burst into the bunker than he starts to regale his new comrades-in-arms with tales of the high life he leads in Tel Aviv, the nights in discotheques, the women who throw themselves at him. He tries to impress the men in the bunker with nude photographs of his girlfriends, with his flashy underwear, his expensive toiletries.

Eyal is in high spirits, enjoying the adventure of soldiering, eager for some real action. The older men take both his bragging and his enthusiasm for fighting with the indulgence due to his youth — and to his fate. For they have already decided, without uttering a word to one another, that it is he who will be sent to Dikla, and given his inexperience, there can be no doubt as to the outcome of the mission. There follows a scene filled with false, self-conscious camaraderie, in which they dress and equip him for the mission. The scene assumes a ritualistic character: a sacrificial lamb is being prepared for slaughter.

Eyal takes it at first with enthusiasm, but once he learns the true nature of his assignment he becomes apprehensive, then frightened; he claims that he has had no training in demolition, he wants to telephone home but the telephone has been out of order for weeks, he wants to write home and someone hands him a postcard. Resnick takes him out to show the way; the remaining men fall silent, guilt hanging like a heavy pall in the bunker. Curtain.

THE PLAY by Yehoshua Sobol — author of last year's very successful "Sylvester '72" — and Nola Chilton's direction create an atmosphere of authenticity which removes the barrier between stage and audience; the appearance of the characters, the language they use, their manner are raw life transferred to the stage and transmuted into first-rate theatre. The cruelty of the story is made even more salient by "The Joker" being a very funny play, especially in the first act, which is practically all dialogue.

The incisive characterization of each of the men established within minutes after the opening; the sharp, clever lines; the perfect timing with which they are delivered by actors who naturally fit into their parts — all make for superb and superbly presented comedy. The audience howls as at a play by Neil Simon, except that at the bottom of all that merriment is the painful reality of men who had to spend their youth, and are now spending their middle age, fighting interminable wars, and are tried unto death of doing so.

The play also offers glimpses into the lives led by the five disparate characters. Sergeant Resnick's description of his happy, perfectly stupid life as a family man and office clerk is a gem of authenticity, while Fedida's story of his star-crossed love is full of poignancy.

One of the most engaging aspects of the play is the author's treatment of his characters; whatever their shortcomings and foibles, he addresses himself to them with love and understanding, so that in the end they all claim our sympathy.

The Haifa Municipal Theatre actors — Alex Munte as Stern, Gedalia Besser as Resnick, Ilan Toren as Almog, Makram Khoury as Kodesh, Yosef Bashi as Fedida — could not be better. Ami Traub would do well to curb his youthful exuberance when he first appears, but he delivers an impressive, restrained performance later, when it dawns on Eyal that he may be facing death. My sole criticism of Nola Chilton's otherwise excellent direction is what struck me as a flat ending. The scene in which the boy, accompanied by Resnick, leaves the bunker for what we assume to be a certain death, needs an accent which would underscore his awful fate.

Eli Sinai's set, beautifully lit by Yehiel Orgal, is a masterpiece of authenticity; the clutter of bunks, clothes, military paraphernalia is more real than the inside of a real bunker. I could practically smell the soldiers' unwashed bodies (the shower had been knocked out by an enemy shell several days before).

Haifa Theatre presents Sobol's "The Joker," with Alex Munte, Ilan Toren, Ami Traub and Makram Khoury.

FILM / Simson Carlebach

Wholesome Reed

I HAVE ALWAYS seen fit to divide the world of man into the doers and the dreamers. When it comes to the arts for instance, the doers draw their inventiveness from a colourful past of circuses and lumber-camps, truck drivers and dope peddlers. They sing, dance and brawl, and have, in general, made of themselves very good expatriate writers. By nature a dreamer, I'm both fascinated and frightened by the doers; there's a physical presence about them that hints of a violence which recognizes no limit.

Oliver Reed, former strip-club bouncer, fairground boxer, and hospital orderly, and now a leading British cinema actor, is a doer if ever there was one. At 37, he has not yet completely discarded the deserved reputation as the bad boy of the otherwise reserved British screen, not at all loath to clamber onto a table at the Ritz and bare his bottom to a roomful of elderly spinsters huddled over their tea and cucumber sandwiches. On screen, it is the women to whom his heavy virility and diabolically scarred face are supposed to appeal. And they respond — some with passion and some with disgust, but none with indifference. Laughing his hard-won way to the bank, Reed serves as grand intimidator to the other half of the male enclave — us dreamers.

Oliver Reed was recently in Israel filming "The Sellout" with Richard Widmark, directed by Peter Collinson. I found him in the bar of the Shalom Hotel exchanging jokes of doubtful nature with the British film crew and technicians. The frothed glasses and beer-laden tables, the loud Cockney humour, almost swore to a Saturday night scene at some West-End pub — only the dart board was missing.

REED IS ONE of those few persons who offscreen exudes the same forceful presence as on. Everything about him is rather bulky and squarish, and I was already beginning to feel a bit intimidated. Thinking it somewhat safer to start off in low key, I asked him about his chosen profession.

"Your career can be divided into three periods," I suggested. "The Hammer films, the early Michael Winner films, and more recently, the Ken Russell films."

He agreed. "The Hammer films, were an indication of my immediate thirst for acting. I didn't want to go to drama school; I didn't want to go on stage. I wanted the movies. I loved the movies. When I walked into a movie I was bowled over.

"The army was my drama school. In the army I learned enough about drama and ambition, greed and hypocrisy, stupidity, attitudes and uniforms to last me a lifetime."

"But what does that have to do with acting?" I put in.

"Because acting is only a mirror of everything that everybody is. Therefore, if I'm going to play a character, I will look away in my head all sorts of attitudes and people that I've found.

"Then I came out and did the Hammer films because I wanted to earn some bread. I'm in it for bread: I'm a professional actor. I'm not in it because I love the art. Art! There are enough people starving for a cup of coffee and a ham roll talking about cinema-verité, and spraying the lens, and Ingmar Bergman..."

"WHAT HAPPENED with Winner?" I asked. "I liked his earlier British films, but then he got into violence. And Charles Bronson, of all actors!"

"Winner hit on something people want. He's always been into making commercial films. While people were busy intellectualizing, Winner was into making films that youth could believe in."

"How did you find working with him?"

"Loud, enthusiastic, intelligent.. knew exactly what he was doing. He tried to determine what would sell. I liked him for that. His films are so animal; they're only about two steps in front of people."

By this time, I wasn't certain what I should ask. "And Russell?" I said.

"Russell's about ten steps in front of people. I dare say, in 25 years time....."

"But your latest film with Russell, 'Tommy' is a rock-opera film more appropriate to the immediate past than the twenty-five-years-from-now future, isn't it?" I queried.

" 'Tommy' is a little more than rock in the sense that Shakespeare is a little more than drama," he replied. "Actually, I haven't seen it. I was filming here in Israel when it had its premiere in London. But it's breaking all records there."

WE TALKED for a while longer about Israeli beer, film-technicians, and supporting actors, and then, taking courage in hand, I asked him about his reputation.

"I put it down to getting older, but things aren't nearly so tough as they used to be. Still, every once-in-a-while some journalist gets the idea that beneath the image lies the real, sensitive Oliver Reed, waiting to be discovered. So he stays with me for awhile until one night he finds himself in a fight and lands up in jail."

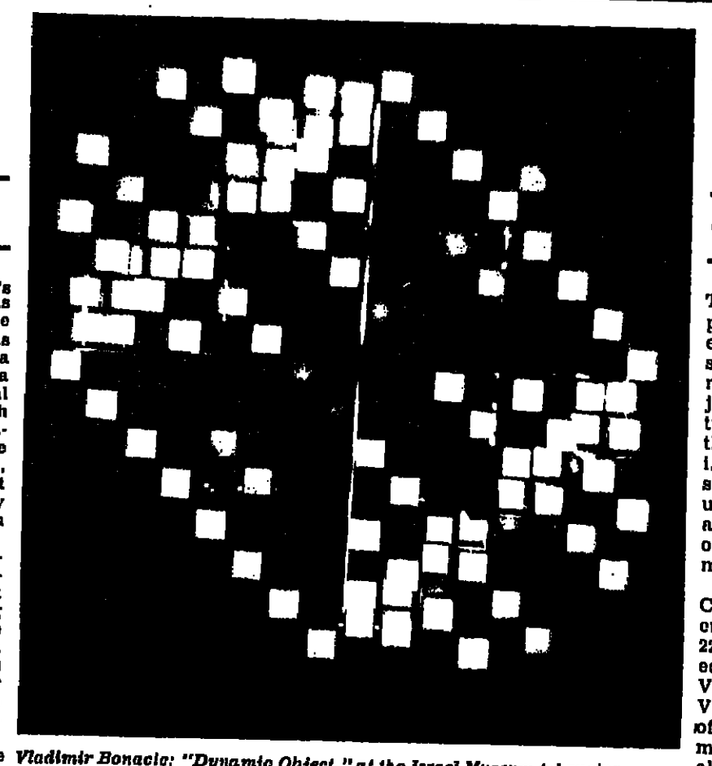
Art and the computer

Meir Ronnen

A SECOND visit to Vladimir Bonacic's show of Dynamic Computer Objects now at the Israel Museum — this time in broad daylight with only some units operational and others working at a slower pace — enabled me to take a longer and better look at the physical makeup of the constructions, on which I touched briefly last week, in the context of my general remarks on the various roles a computer can play, either as a tool in the hands of an artist or as a source generating material by itself. I was also able to learn something of Bonacic's intentions.

Bonacic, it appears, is, in his present work, less interested in composing with the computer, or using it *as* a calculator, than in researching what he calls "hidden data," the material that can be obtained from "inside" the computer once it has been set on a certain course, here, for instance, manufacturing patterns (on a square grid) that are each of maximum difference from all of the preceding patterns obtained — and immediately memorized — by the computer. A binary compound computation of a grid of 32 squares can multiply itself almost instantly into *billions* of grid patterns, each as different as possible from each other, a mind-boggling number, each of a nature that no human can visualize in advance. This primary "act of creation," set off by man and generated as a whole field by the computer, can then be summoned up out of the computer's memory one pattern at a time, at any speed the operator-artist desires. On the largest of Bonacic's screens of light tubes, the patterns can be recalled one a second for some 200 years, an instantly-created, inexhaustible supply for the artist-selector! Little wonder Bonacic sees the computer as a "partner."

The same screen also produces a succession of musical tones that have a direct correlation with the visual patterns. The ultimate creative step of selecting and combining the patterns or tones still remains with the researcher-artist. (Unfortunately, the bugs were not all ironed out of the music tones at our last visit and one was unable to form an assessment of their quality. Somewhat saturated with the thousands of patterns I absorbed last week in the matter of a few minutes, I was also quite in error in assuming that the colours in the light patterns were formed out of one's after-images retained of the three basic colours. Looking at the slowed-down grid from close up this week, I could see that there are actually 16 different types of coloured glass inserted into the ends of the modular groupings of tubes. It will be a long time, evidently, before colour can be generated directly and its quality improved. The large grid, by the way, looks a lot better as an "art object" from an acute angle rather than *on face;* from the side one can see an additional play of light on the opaque walls of the light tubes).



Vladimir Bonacic: "Dynamic Object," at the Israel Museum (changing patterns of lights behind coloured glass, generated by a computer)

Talking to Dr. Bonacic this week, I was told that the main aim of his "Art and Science" Lab at the Bezalel Academy is to get researchers to learn and thus help develop, the universal computer language, so that they can turn to any computer and both derive inspiration and practical compositional use from it. Whatever they learn or invent can be fed back into the computer. What better researchers, he asks, than art and design students? He hopes musicians will come as well, not necessarily to produce electronic music but to learn the computer language and relate it to every possible sound and tone, classical or electronic (a new notation Bonacic has developed is inherent in the computer programme he uses, but a satisfactory notation for electronic music has not yet been worked out). Bonacic doesn't want to play games copying Bach by analysis, for instance, as some computer men have done; he wants the universal language to be used creatively. The more the international community uses English, he points out, the richer that language gets; the more people using and creating computer memory, the richer this truly international language will become (one computer's memory can, of course, be fed into another, or at least linked to it). Bonacic is careful to eschew speculation, but he points to philosophers currently working on ways to define patterns of abstract thought and he thinks that in this field the use of the computer is indispensible.

Bonacic is also down to earth in describing the binary language as just one of many languages. But he has a firm belief that it will become truly universal. My own feeling is that if there is any language that will take man or his thought across the cosmos and through the complexities of time, it will be the binary symbolical one, an inter-galactic Esperanto recorded in machines that will one day be able to summon up all or anything of the sum total of human knowledge.

Perhaps the above will go some way towards making clear what I mentioned last week: that Bonacic's nevertheless entertaining and often very beautiful show should not be viewed as an end in itself or primarily as a series of finished art objects. Despite their technological complexity, they are, more importantly, a demonstration of avenues of new techniques that may lead creative man into fields he never suspected were within his reach.

What a pity that the Museum failed to provide even a fact sheet making some of this clear to visitors. Bonacic's print-out catalogue was, I understand, summoned up out of his computer's files as a last-minute substitute.

Bonacic's research has been helped by the generosity of Dr. Will Sandberg, who asked Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands to turn over half of his Erasmus Prize to Bonacic' Jerusalem Programme.

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"RECYCLING" is an important new social study in the Israel Museum's Palevsky Design Pavilion, a show about which I hope to write at length next week; in the meantime, it should not be missed. Brilliantly put together by Curator Yitshak Gaon, it forcibly brings home how the Capital (and other parts of Israel) is marring the land and wasting resources and money in not recycling absolutely everything that we toss onto rubbish dumps, one of them in a lovely wadi near Bethany. Israeli success stories in recycling are also demonstrated, as is the fact that some throwaways, like plastic bottles for instance, can be turned into furniture without any reprocessing whatsoever, with designs thought up by two Bezalel students. The show has been mounted in cooperation with the Environmental Control Service; the Society for a Beautiful Israel; and the Ministry of Health.

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The GYDA GALLERY (13 Balfour, Jerusalem) has a particularly pleasant little group show at the moment, featuring a beautiful canvas by Zaritsky; a fine Kupferman; two very good little compositional studies that are paintings in themselves by Ivan Schwebel; and the best-designed Noustein diptych we have seen so far, as well as some pleasant studio paintings by Allan Wolf, among others.

Mini-sculpture Italian style

Gil Goldfine

THE contemporary art multiple (like its ancestor the limited edition lithograph, etching or silkscreen), is an artistic statement (painting, sculpture or object) reproduced with no variation, in large quantities, larger than under traditional conditions, i.e., the customary six to eight sculptural castings or the single unit painting. It affords the one an opportunity to purchase original, signed works of art at more "accessible" prices.

Currently on view at the Italian Cultural Institute is a rather engaging show of 40 sculptures by 22 artists, each one of a multiple edition produced and marketed by Venturi Arte of Bologna. Paolo Venturi, the 34-year-old manager of Venturi Arte, established his multisculpture enterprise in 1969; already involved in an established family foundry, he created a specialized foundry for creating multiple editions utilizing modern industrial techniques and materials. Presently, with rare exception, a sculptor working with Venturi Arte can expect a finished cast in one day, instead of the arduous work of several days — and even weeks — using the traditional methods of the Middle Ages.

Discounting one or two small concerns in the United States, Venturi Arte claims to be the only serious foundry manufacturing signed and numbered sculptural editions. Their usual edition is 55 and each unit is inspected by the artist before he signs it.

The sculptures brought to Tel Aviv offer the spectator only a limited range of contemporary statements. Although the workmanship and presentation are first rate, the prevalent artistic styles (and Media) are uncompromisingly conservative, mostly a figurative-symbolism which in many cases borders on a restated surrealism.

Venturi told me that because of personal preference his early contacts gravitated towards a group of "imagists," sculptors who maintained a figurative or quasi-subjective style. This circle includes RIMONDI and GIAN CARLO MARINI, both of whom promote magical ideas by dissecting and reassembling the human form. Rimondi's "Venus and a Half," a combination of the polished bronze goddess contrasted and enclosed in an open rectangle with a deep umber patina, is especially lovely.

Transformation of naturalism into symbolic forms is best described by FINOTTI. His "Erotic Tales No. 1" incorporates erect detailed asparagus stalks vegetating from the muscular erogenous region of a male nude. Its success, like so many other sculptures in the show, lies in the compelling pictorial disparity and sensitive handling of surface textural drawing, rather than with a challenging robust dimensional approach of form and mass. BERROCAL'S two pieces, "La Cicciona" and "La Menina" are superb examples of his pronounced inventiveness and industrial skills. Playful, yet deeply serious, his polished bronze women are composed of assembled pieces that can be taken apart, altered and transposed; or in the case of "La Menina" one can remove her ornate head and stash it away in a preplanned storage cabinet — the rotund hoop skirt.

DALI'S famous painted bronze of 1936, "The Venus de Milo of the Drawers" plus his more recent work "Venus on the Giraffe" exemplify the surrealist and purely occult tendencies. Also in this category are TRUBBIANI and KARAVAN, of which the former's "Blue Rock-Thrush," a mixed media resin-bronze object depicting an unscrupulous looking bird enclosed forever in a tinted bottle, is a real hybrid piece where very natural forms have been engaged to render an eccentric fantasy.

Venturi understands artistic and business trends: he has begun to produce sculptures of a more non-subjective character on a limited basis, like CONSAGRA'S "Theme" of organized standing patterned plaques; RAMBELLI'S "Kaleidescope," a scale model of a large playground sculpture; CASSINARI'S exploding spherical "Pomegranates"; and TIRELLI'S imaginary architectural forms.

Venturi looks back over the past six years feeling a sense of accomplishment in that he has been something of a pioneer and a promising future for multisculpture. I tend to agree, provided, however, that a more exciting and palatable mixture of styles is offered, as well as an added sculptural emphasis to replace some of the obvious and literal pronouncements seen in this show. (Italian Cultural Institute, 4 Marmorek, Tel Aviv). Till June 20.

Trubbiani: mini-sculpture from the Venturi Arte show at the Italian Cultural Institute, Tel Aviv.

Sculpture in and out

Ephraim Harris

ADA TERKEL shows sculpture in two different media, cast stone and reticulated aluminium, primarily intended for gardens and therefore tied up with the treatment of light. The cast stone subjects are individual fruit and vegetables in natural size, sited on the ground without pedestals for assimilation into their setting. As protection against seeming erosion caused by strong sun light, the single motif usually (the pumpkin is one exception) forms a core within a thick outer casing, the latter being indented by a light-absorbing recess.

The aluminium netting in abstract shapes, twisted into wide folds, bunched yet open, in order to curve and interact, catches the light within its reticulation so that some parts shine while others remain unaffected, i.e., a play of light and shade varied by the continuous change in the sun's direction. This second medium can be placed indoors and, lying on low tables, was particularly effective at this exhibition, since it brought out the detailed sculptural abstraction (8 and 12). Another use, which could not be satisfactorily demonstrated under gallery conditions, consisted (16 and 16) in hanging the aluminium netting from the ceiling in a manner similar to Bruno Munari's system of 1948, whereby black and white forms are produced on undecorated walls, especially to fill corners. A first show of considerable potential. (Nahmani's Gallery). Till June 21.

RIGHT ON TARGET

With Premier Yitzhak Rabin scheduled to meet President Gerald Ford in Washington next week, the argument is increasingly being heard that Israel should lose no time in defining its long-term objectives. One man who believes that this is a matter of vital urgency is ALUF (Res.) YESHAYAHU GAVISH, who served as General Officer Commanding, Southern Command, during the Six Day War and is now managing director of Hamat, a Koor subsidiary. He was interviewed last week by Post reporter PHILIP GILLON.

THERE SEEMS to be a widespread feeling, I say to Aluf Yeshayahu Gavish, that the present position of no-war, no-peace is fast becoming unendurable for all parties involved in the Middle East, and that something has to change.

"It's not so much a question of the position being impossible — it is amazing what is possible — but that it is undesirable," replies Gavish. "Our difficulty is — what kind of peace do we want? We have to be clear about our target. What do we want? How will we get there? To what will the Arabs agree? I am very much afraid that there is no clarity on our side as to our peace aims."

Does this mean that he is against the Kissinger system of negotiating a bit at a time, with one party at a time, beginning with the easiest areas of possible agreement?

Says Gavish:

"I'm not against the Kissinger method or any other method, provided it is part of a comprehensive approach. It may be easier to bargain with one party rather than several, over one thing rather than many. But we must know what our ultimate target is. If we see that a partial settlement is taking us along the road to the final settlement we want, that is O.K. by me — but to treat a partial settlement as if it were final is incorrect. For example, to give up the Mitla and Gidi passes for a vague declaration, without knowing where this is leading, would be downright stupid.

"Say you and I decide to go to Jerusalem. We can go there by car or train or bus or cart or on horseback or on foot — but we know where we're going, it's a question of how we'll get there best with the means at our disposal. We don't say that we'll go to Holon and stay there for a while, and then see where we want to go next.

"There's an old story about a *yekke* who was visited by a friend, who told him that he had bought a Vespa. 'It's wonderful,' said the friend. 'I get up, shave, shower, eat my breakfast, and still get to Petah Tikva by eight. You should get one yourself.' The *yekke* acted on the advice, and jubilantly told his friend a few days later, 'It works wonderfully, just as you said. But, tell me, what am I supposed to do in Petah Tikva?' "

His implication is that the Government hasn't made clear what its peace objectives are.

"WELL, HAS IT?" Gavish demands. "Every Cabinet Minister expresses a different point of view" — some of them contradict their own points of view in different forums, I murmur — "and nobody knows which is the official view of the Government. I read in the morning paper that Rabin says we will never give up Sharm el Sheikh, Jerusalem and the Golan, but I don't know whether he is expressing his own point of view or the Government's.

"Mind you, I'm not saying that the Government has to publicize its policy; maybe, as a matter of tactics, it should keep its target secret. But our minimum and maximum objectives should be made clear before Rabin goes to meet Ford. I think one of the reasons behind our problems with Kissinger — and one of the reasons why the Americans got so angry with us — is that nobody could tell him exactly what we want."

WHAT IF THE Government cannot make up its mind as to its ultimate objective?

"Then the country should itself decide in new elections, or in a referendum. Actually, when people elect a government, they expect it to give them a lead, to govern. When B.-G. decided to withdraw from the Gaza Strip in 1957, he went ahead and withdrew. The shareholders of Hamat expect *me* to run the company; if I make a mess of things, they'll kick me out."

I recall reporting, in 1957, on a stormy meeting at Nahal Oz, where Ben-Gurion explained his decision to the settlers from the kibbutzim around the Gaza Strip: The kibbutzniks, facing the possibility of renewed attacks by fedayeen because Israel was withdrawing, protested furiously, but Aluf Gavish, who was also present, overrode their objections.

"Exactly. I remember it very well. The Old Man told them that was what the Government had decided, and that they had to trust him, everything would be all right, and they accepted it."

On the other hand, Golda Meir always insisted, did she not, that there was no need to split the nation over the future of the occupied areas, until we reached a peace table.

"What she said was that there was no need for such a split as long as there was nobody with whom we could talk. The Arabs had come out with the Three Noes of Khartoum, so she was right. But since the Yom Kippur War, things have changed completely. Many of the Arabs have come up with plans — the Egyptians have a plan, Saudi Arabia has a plan, even Arafat has a plan. We may not agree with any of their plans, but we do have to come up with something of our own.

"As I said, I really think that the Americans don't know what Israel wants. We have plenty of friends in America — look at the letter to Ford from the Senators. But, unless we tell them what we want — they may not accept it, but at least let them know — how can we evolve a common policy? After all, the only real friends we have in the world are the Americans; they should be told what we're after. As long as we aren't clear ourselves, how can we expect our friends to help us?"

If Rabin goes empty-handed to Ford, will the American Administration try to "persuade" us to make concessions to which we don't agree?

"There have been clear hints that the Americans may produce a plan of their own, perhaps one that is approved by the U.S.S.R. I think that such a development would be very bad for us. It would be much better for us to coordinate policy with the Americans, if we can agree among ourselves. At least the Americans have always understood what we meant when we said we wanted secure and defensible borders."

LIKE MANY of Israel's top soldiers, Aluf Gavish graduated from an agricultural high school and went straight into the Palmah. Born in Tel Aviv 50 years ago, he attended school at Givat Hashlosha.

He was one of the leaders of the Yishuv arrested by the British on Black Saturday, and was interned at Latrun. When he was released, he returned at once to service in the Palmah. During the War of Independence he was a company commander in the north: severely wounded in one battle, he nevertheless returned to service in time to participate in the great battles for the Negev, as deputy commander of the first Palmah battalion.

He helped to plan many of the reprisal raids against the fedayeen in the period preceding the Sinai Campaign, as well as the campaign itself. He has held almost every top post in the Defence Forces, except that of Chief of Staff. As Commander of the Southern Command in the Six Day War, he led the critical attack that broke the power of the Egyptian Army. He was in command during most of the War of Attrition. Later he left the Army to become a top executive of Koor, the Histadrut's industrial giant.

IT IS FASHIONABLE nowadays for everybody to have a map in his hip pocket — does Gavish have one? In December he said that we should not surrender the Gidi and Mitla passes without a major concession by Egypt. As few people in the country know the Sinai Peninsula and its possible defences as well as he, his map would be very interesting.

"I don't think everyone should produce his private map — more important that the Government agree on its map. As for me, I would give up a lot, a great deal, for a peace agreement: I've never believed that the passes should be part of the ultimate Israel. We need a demilitarized zone in Sinai separating the two armies, we must have space and depth. What I did say — and still say — is that we must not throw away bargaining counters like the passes without getting something very real in exchange."

It has been said that our insistence on sitting on the lines obtained in the Six Day War — and saying how wonderfully secure they were — boomeranged in October 1973, because the doctrine denied us the initiative: we could hardly sit on these secure borders and at the same time stage a preemptive strike. Is there not a danger that the same kind of thing can happen again if there is no move towards peace, that we will let the Arabs make the decisions?

"There is something in the argument. We believed that we could sit tight until the Arabs agreed to talk to us, to reverse Khartoum. They realized that they could not go for a political solution until they had rectified the military situation, so they wouldn't be talking from defeat and weakness. The Yom Kippur War achieved this for them. Now that they have reversed Khartoum, we can talk to them."

Should we then meet the Arabs at Geneva?

"We should go anywhere if it would help us achieve our ultimate target. Perhaps Geneva will help to clarify what the Arabs

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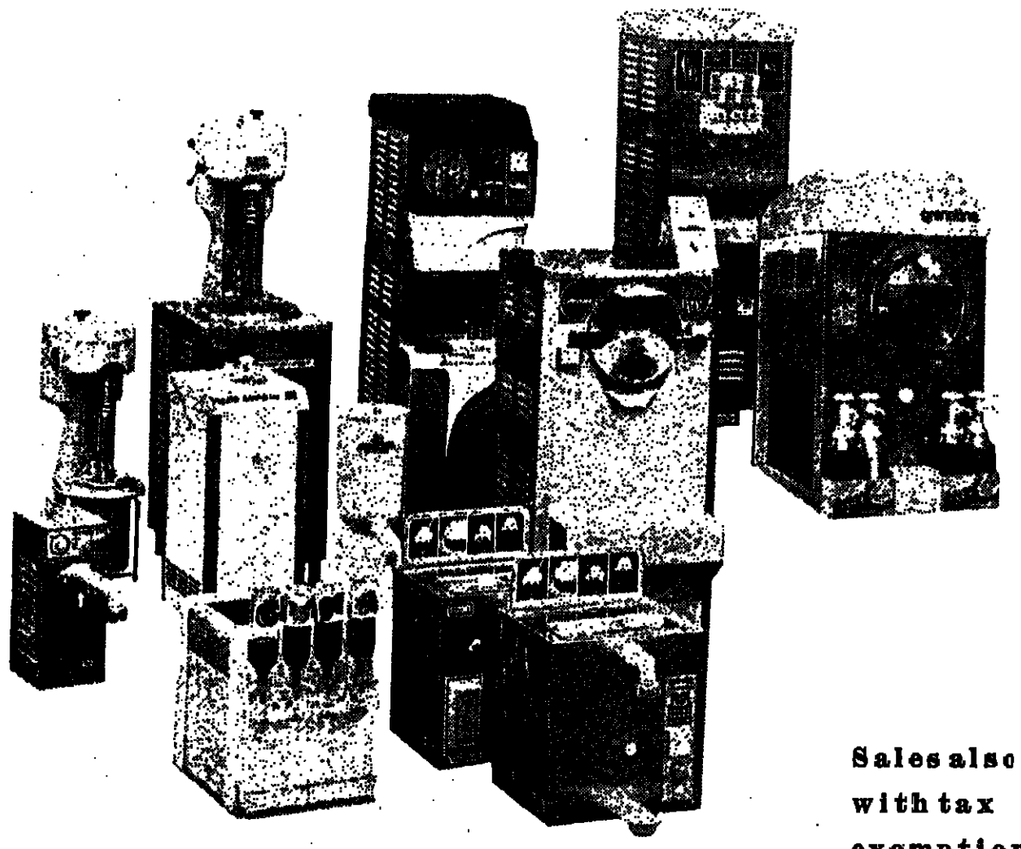

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want, and what we want. It comes back to that — what do we want?"

Would he be prepared to sit at Geneva and talk to the PLO?

"This is not the issue. People talk as if they have answered the question of the Palestinians by maintaining that we shouldn't talk to terrorists. But once again that's what we don't want to do, not what we do want. We have to decide what we want to happen with the Palestinians. What's our plan for them? Maybe they won't accept it, but we have to clarify our own stand. Then we can try to find some Palestinians with whom to talk."

ASSUMING FOR a moment that our dreams could come true, we define our target, negotiate, get a peace, and then have to withdraw from the lines we hold at present — only to have the Arabs renege on whatever agreement they've made, and attack us? Won't we be taking a fearsome risk if we gamble on their keeping an agreement, and not using our concessions as a marshalling ground for another attack?

"Of course it's a calculated risk, but it's one we will have to take, you can't assume in advance that the other partners are liars, or why talk to them at all? But we mustn't delude ourselves that a cease-fire agreement or a peace treaty is a substitute for self-defence. General Haig told the European countries last week that they mustn't think that detente with Russia relieves them of the burden of preparing a defence. The agreement must provide for secure and defensible borders, demilitarized zones, if possible an underwriting of the treaty by the Americans and Russians. In short, anything and everything we can get — but we have to be alert at all times. Wars break out between countries at peace — in fact, this happens more often than when both sides are alert and ready for combat.

"And then, if there's some kind of peace, it should provide a stimulus for aliya. We need another five million Jews here. As long as there are only three million, there'll always be danger."

Part of the problem seems to be psychological — people from the West are used to wars that last five years or so — usually ending in victory — and then are followed by peace for a couple of decades. Here we seem to be getting into a Vietnamese type of situation, where winning a war doesn't settle the problem.

"Historically, I see the Vietnamese war as part of the war between the U.S.S.R. and the West, which will go on for decades. When historians talk of the Thirty Years War or the Hundred Years War, they don't mean that there was continuous daily fighting during those periods. A peace now will not be the end of the story.

"But that is all the more reason for the Government to define our targets very clearly. I see three possibilities — a negotiated arrangement between the Arabs and us; some kind of settlement imposed on us all by the superpowers, as if we were naughty children in the kindergarten; and war. Of these, the first would be the best for us. And the way to achieve it is to work out what we want, get together with the Americans, and set about reaching there."

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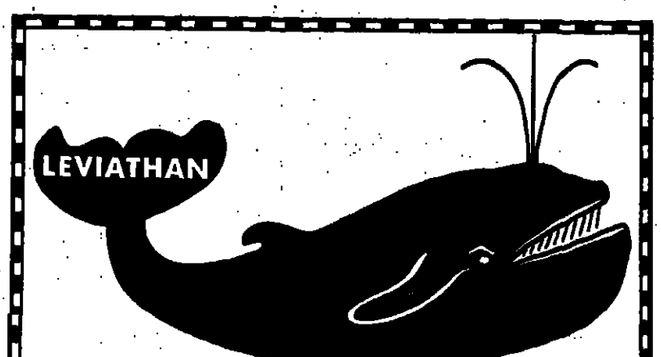

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Soviet-Jewish relations

Before the "divorce:" David Ben-Gurion and Soviet Ambassador Bodrov.

ISRAELI SOVIET COLD WAR by Surendra Bhutani. Delhi and Allahabad, Atul Pra Kashan. 216 pp. $7.

G. Silber

SOVIET-JEWISH and Soviet-Israeli relations have always attracted worldwide interest, ever since the Bolshevik Revolution, and much has been written on the subject. It is commendable that Dr. Bhutani found it necessary to acquaint the Indian reader with this aspect of Jewish history. Unfortunately, however, his book is marred by inconsistency, and the reader may get the impression that two different persons wrote it: one the preface and the conclusions; the other, the five chapters in between.

The book surveys Soviet-Jewish relations from 1919 up to the Six Day War. In his preface the author says that Israel "unleashed a substantial propaganda offensive (against the USSR). This prompted the Soviet leaders to launch a counter-offensive against Tel Aviv" (no date provided). The uninformed reader would expect to find in one of the chapters some proof of that distorted statement. But what he gets is an account of Israel under constant attack by the Soviet media, launched, after a "honeymoon" of 18 months in Soviet-Israeli relations, by Ilya Ehrenburg's article in "Pravda" on September 21, 1948. "It was a systematic campaign of vilification," says Dr. Bhutani on page 101. He does not provide any example of propaganda unleashed by Israel. On the contrary, he gives many instances of Israeli endeavours to improve relations with the Soviet Union.

Dr. Bhutani correctly states on page 88 that "Soviet policy was not the result of any action taken by Israel or shortcomings of Israel. It had been formulated to suit the global interests of the Soviet Union." And "no matter what Israel did or did not do, it was always wrong in Soviet eyes." But he writes in his preface that "the failure of the Israeli leadership to accommodate or to understand the factors underlying the Soviet approach to resurgent Arab nationalism brought them the hostility of a Super Power."

ONE OF Dr. Bhutani's conclusions is that "the Soviet Union successfully prevented Tel Aviv from imposing its will upon the Arabs which has been the principal goal of Israeli foreign policy since 1948." This most surprising statement is irreconcilable with the author's understanding of Israeli-Arab relations. Surely, he does not believe that "retaliations" (to use his word), the desire to survive as a nation, and Israel's endeavours to normalise relations with the Arabs and be recognised by them all mean imposing one's will on others.

As far as Soviet Jews are concerned, Dr. Bhutani contends in his conclusions that "relations between Israel and the Soviet Union would have been better off had Israel not constantly harped on the alleged maltreatment of the Soviet Jews." The fact that he found it necessary to use the word "alleged" hardly does him credit as a historian and contradicts what he wrote on pages 109-110: "The Jews were treated as a minority but were not allowed the rights of political and cultural autonomy which other national minorities enjoyed." He quotes on page 111 no less an authority than Nikita Khrushchev to the effect that "anti-Semitic sentiments still exist here (the Soviet Union)."

And again: "By raising the question of Soviet Jewry the Israelis sought to interfere in the domestic affairs of the Soviet Union." Dr. Bhutani has probably failed to acquaint himself with Jewish history of the last 4,000 years. Yet, his description of the Soviet Jewry issue, especially in chapter 4, implies a good understanding of the constant fear and anxiety of the people of Israel, its leaders and world Jewry over the plight of the Soviet Jews, their severance from their relatives in Israel, and the special emotional link that binds Jews all over the world. It is therefore natural that the Israel Government repeatedly called on the Soviet Government to grant Soviet Jews freedom of religion, culture, community life and the right to join their families in Israel. Would Dr. Bhutani have advised the Israel Government to stand idly by when Jews in Russia were removed from their jobs, arrested, sent to hard-labour camps, and massacred, as described on page 112, for the "crime" of wanting to live as Jews or emigrating to Israel?

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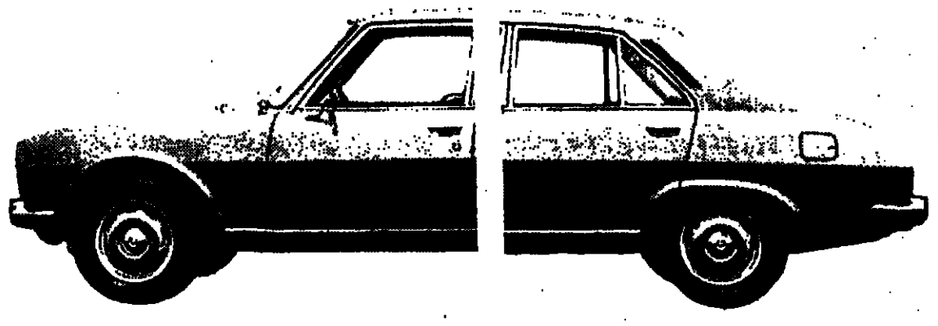

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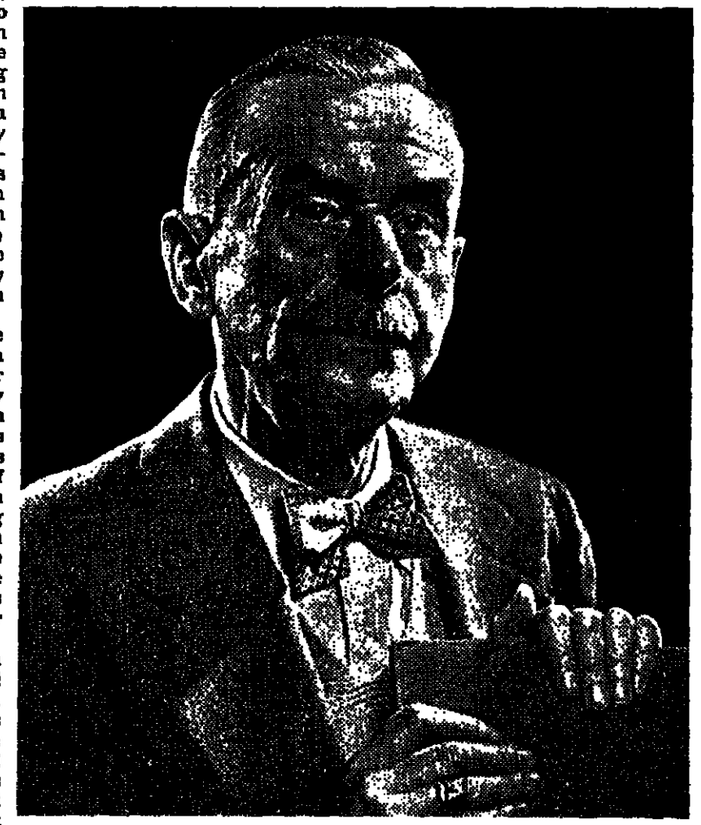
MANN IN ISRAEL

June 6, 1975 is the centenary of Thomas Mann's birth. In this article his one visit to Palestine is recalled.



Eric Gottgetreu

WHEN THOMAS MANN, accompanied by his wife Katia, visited Egypt and Palestine early in 1930 to acquaint himself with the background for his planned Biblical novel, "Joseph and his Brothers," then slowly taking shape in his mind, he did not come as a naive and innocent tourist.

At his home in Munich, he had already started intense study of the subject, guided by Eli Strauss, a prominent local lawyer, who was also widely learned in Jewish and Oriental history. Strauss gave Mann much help in introducing him to the sources of Jewish philosophy and religion. Katia Mann writes in her recently published memoirs that her husband "was very occupied with his Oriental studies and took them most seriously and the work on Joseph is permeated with the results." Many of the books he used in writing this novel are now preserved in the Thomas Mann Archives in Zurich.

Katia Mann also tells how the book, originally conceived as a short story, grew and grew over the years. Thomas finally accepted her advice to have each volume published separately, as soon as the manuscript was ready. Thus, "The Tales of Jacob" appeared in the German original in 1933, "The Young Joseph" in 1934, "Joseph in Egypt" in 1936 and "Joseph the Provider" in 1943. More than once Katia sighed while the work was in progress: "I know, I'll never see the end...".

But finally she did. And when the tetralogy was completed towards the end of World War II, while Mann was living at his American place of exile on the shores of the Pacific, he regarded it, according to Katia, "as his most cherished, his best, his most essential and his most important work."

Most critics will agree with this evaluation.

MANN'S ORIENTAL journey of 1930 was his first and last visit to this part of the world. A few years before his death in Switzerland (in 1955), he dreamt of travelling to India, stopping en route in Israel, and in connection with this, the Israel Association of Jewish Immigrants from Central Europe decided to invite him to give some lectures in Jerusalem, Tel Aviv and Haifa — but nothing came of it.

The "inspection trip" to the Middle East, as Mann called it, was not all pleasure — particularly at the beginning. The couple left Europe in February, when the sea was very rough, and had a rough passage on the Mediterranean from Genoa to Alexandria.

Once in Cairo, the Manns followed the usual tourist itinerary: they went aboard one of those Nile steamers of Cook's and visited Aswan, Luxor and some places still further south, which they found most fascinating. Back in Cairo, Mann was given a reception by the Arab Literary Club, and was entertained by the editors of the leading daily, "Al Mokattam." They also did the usual sight-seeing in Cairo. When, in 1973, I asked Mann's youngest daughter, "Maedi" — now Prof. Elisabeth Mann-Borghese of the "Centre for the Study of Democratic Institutions" at Santa Barbara in California, who had come to Jerusalem for a lecture at the Van Leer Institute — whether she still remembered what her father told her about his trip to the Pyramids, she replied: "After all, I was still a child at the time. All I know is that more than anything else I was impressed by his riding on a donkey in Egypt."

Whether it was the water or the food that did not agree with them — they felt rather sick at the end of their stay in Cairo. Nevertheless, they continued by train via Kantara and Lydda to Jerusalem — there they had to go straight to the German Hospital in the Street of the Prophets. In this place, later taken over by Hadassah, they were treated for dysentery, and remained a few days longer for recuperation.

After his release from hospital, there was not much time left for the traditional visits to the tourist sites in Jerusalem. It seems that Mann saw less of them than Franz Werfel and Oskar Kokoschka had done a year earlier, under the expert guidance of the Jerusalem resident author, M.Y. Ben-Gavriel. Werfel had come here in quest of eye-witness reports and other material on the World War I massacre of the Armenians which he was later to describe in his "Forty Days of Musa Dagh"; Kokoschka painted a famous picture of Jerusalem seen from the Mount of Olives.

THOMAS MANN made a thorough tour of the Hebrew University, then five years old, and of the Jewish National and University Library, with chancellor Dr. J.L. Magnes and Prof. Hugo Bergmann as his guides. Next, accompanied by Leo Hermann, the Secretary-General of the Keren Hayessod, he set out on a two-day trip up North — seeing much of Samaria, including Jacob's Well, near ancient Nablus, the Valley of Jezreel, Lower and Upper Galilee, including Nazareth, and Tiberias, and several kibbutzim. He learned a lot from Leo Hermann about the theory and practice of Zionism, but he did not become a Zionist. As a humanist and a citizen of the world he sought a non-national solution for the Jewish problem. The author Manfred Sturmann, who met Thomas Mann in Munich soon after his return from Palestine, remembered later: "...He was deeply impressed with the pioneering spirit he had encountered in this country, but I felt that he found it difficult to believe in the final success of the Zionist movement though he appreciated its motivations."

With the growth of the Nazi movement and anti-Semitism in Germany, however, Mann started to support Jewish settlement in Palestine for humanitarian reasons — despite his political doubts. Repeatedly he put his name and his pen at the disposal of the newly-founded German Pro-Palestine Committee, and once in 1932, he travelled from Munich to Nuremberg for an address by him to be relayed by telephone to a New York gathering in honour of the Hebrew University. (Apparently a direct relay from Munich to New York was technically not possible at the time.)

The first volume of the Joseph tetralogy was published when Mann, then at the beginning of his emigration, had already settled in Switzerland, and his eldest daughter Erika had succeeded in smuggling out the manuscript of the continuation from his abandoned home in Munich. It was a great satisfaction to him that he was able to oppose the Nordic-racialist, arrogant tendencies of the new poetry and propaganda of the Third Reich by his "picture and story book on mankind," and its Biblical background. On several occasions he explained the artistic and humanitarian intentions of this gigantic work, and read from it in public — once, in 1937, in a Zionist circle in Munich.

Incidentally, moved by the shattering impressions of the Holocaust, he eventually developed a more positive view of the political aspects of Zionism and tried to help the movement. In an essay he wrote in 1944, for a book edited by Meyer Weisgal on the occasion of Chaim Weizmann's 70th birthday, he stated: "...It is no wonder, it is but right and just, that the national consciousness of the Jewish people has been immeasurably intensified by the events of the recent years and that the Zionist idea proves to possess a steadily growing persuasiveness and power. The idea of a national concentration of the Jews in a place other than that of the Dispersion, that is to say the Zionist idea, is no longer a controversial one today. It is a spiritual fact which must be respected, and it will overcome every resistance that opposes its realization..."

Joy of language

A PERFECT CIRCLE OF SUN by Linda Pastan. Chicago, Swallow Press. 56 pp. $5.

Dan Vogel

THE WARMTH and homeliness-with-artistry of this cycle of short poems remind us what poetry was before the intellectuals came to dominate it.

Linda Pastan avoids the narcissistic kind of poetry that, since the days of Pound and Eliot, has been written for other poets, or brilliant critics, or eager sophomores. Like Emerson and Frost, she is a sophisticated bard. Her heroine is Emily Dickinson, for whom she writes a verse accolade in this collection. Pastan, too, tries to find poetic language in the accents of the common people, for she, too, is excited by common experience.

Take as an example the first three lines of a poem called "At Bingham Falls, Vermont":

There were no waterfalls in Eden,
no pure curves of force streaming down hill
like wet stallions to mate with rock.

The allusion to Eden requires no esoteric knowledge. It engenders an immediate vision of idyllic perfection that the poet intends to shatter. To Pastan, common emotions that we, who are forever east of Eden, experience have their own purity, though they are surely not Edenic. Note the outrageously apt sexual image that attracts, reveals, and creates awe quite like a Donne image in a "Holy Sonnet." The technique makes us see, feel, and think. We participate, and that makes all the difference.

EDEN indeed, is a major motif in Pastan's poetry, for she sees the loss of it everywhere, especially as she contemplates her children. In "To a Second Son," she foresees the loss of the child's innocence and the unavoidable inheritance that will "plague/the perfect body that you will grow into." "My daughter at almost three," she says in "Wood," cannot escape "the viruses that come even through the mailslot" — a striking line indeed.

This attitude carries over into the metaphor of the seasons that organizes the book. Reversing Shelley, Pastan knows that if spring comes, winter lurks behind. Spring cannot sustain its joyousness, and the last word in the book is about bleak November in which her eldest prepares in dreams for the "wolf... at the door."

Yet this is not a melancholy book. The pure joy of language is omnipresent and a remarkable poem on giving birth occurs in the section on winter. The poet describes her physical experiences in the delivery room — "a new magician/who cannot produce the rabbit/from my swollen hat." Finally at the climax of the poem,

She's crowning, someone says,
but there is no one royal here,
just me, quite barefoot,
greeting my barefoot child.

Naked we come into the world and naked we refuse to be defeated. It is not the most impressive posture for acts of heroism and faith, but we do perform them frequently.

Three poems on Jewish themes reflect the realism and persistence that mark the tone of the rest of the poems. "At the Jewish Museum" responds to a photography exhibit of Manhattan's old East Side and expresses the impossibility of escape from our origins:

Our childrens' sins
still fall upon the old Jew
in a coal cellar, on Ludlow Street,
in Nineteen hundred.

Jewish generations know no essential gap. "I set my table with metaphor," Pastan begins "Passover," but freedom is lacking. This is a poem of exile on two planes. First,

I only mind this one night of the year
when far beyond the lights of Jersey,
Jerusalem still beckons us, in tongues.

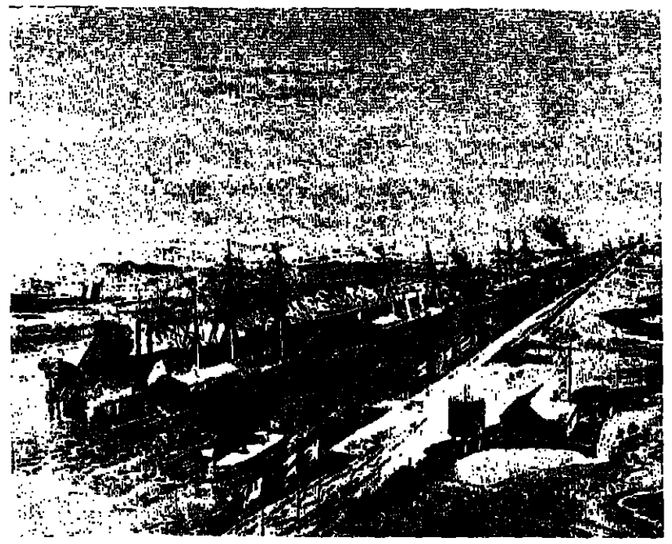
It is a recognition of exile from historical process. Second, the plagues of Egypt have reached her civilization, and the finis line is a lament for "My son, my son," who must yet live a lifetime in it without certitude or belonging. In "Yom Kippur," the poet's insight gives a value to sin that makes us feel her sympathy and love:

Sins come creeping back like unwed girls
and leaves return to willing trees for spring.

Thus Pastan adds a new dimension to Yom Kippur. Sin is the sign of being human, and the opportunity to be human is the annual sign of God's love for His creature.

I HOPE these lines of verse from "A Perfect Circle of Sun" demonstrate Pastan's gift of language and freshness of imagery. Her poetry is an enriched vernacular, a cleverness that art softens. She has, in this book, in large measure fulfilled Emerson's dream — the revelation of "the miraculous in the common."

DAY OF THE CANAL



The original Suez Canal opening ceremony, November 16, 1869.

PARLIAMENTARY REPORT / Lea Ben Dor

WELL, NOW, is it really *Meshiah's zeiten* (the days of the Messiah)? As this is written, the Suez Canal is being re-opened with great pomp and a publicity circus that only exceeds the Salzburg circus that closed down a day or so before. Is President Sadat really a peace-loving man whose one idea is to end the active conflict with Israel and have a chance to rebuild Egypt, or at least to start his country off in that direction before he retires next year? Or are all the circuses only intended to ensure the warm and cosy and financially helpful embrace of the U.S., in place of the cramping bear hug of the Soviet Union?

There are voices now to say that Sadat is indeed trying a new tack, with a prompt counterpoint noting that the rest of Egypt, and perhaps even Sadat's own collaborators, don't take the new tack too seriously. Even the "highly placed U.S. official" who travels on the Kissinger plane has been known to say both that you only have to eat supper with the Sadat family to know that this is a man totally devoted to peace and, on another occasion that he is tricky and devious if not worse. Sadat is certainly having his day, sailing the "October 6" — date of the beginning of the October war in 1973— down the Suez Canal, which his troops did succeed in crossing, even if they were thrown back later where they were attacked in force.

A former Justice Minister, Pinhas Rosen, was accustomed to say (in places where he would not be heard too widely) that the only hope for peace was to let the Arabs have some small victory just once. It would be difficult and dangerous, he realised, but it was the only thing that might turn the trick. And here, two years after the Yom Kippur war, is the first open talk of peace. Is it certain? Of course not. But it is the first time it has even been talked about.

All this makes a thoroughly confusing situation that was well reflected in the Knesset on Wednesday. Eliezer Shostak, of the Likud, presented a rather mild protest, in the form of a motion to the agenda, against the modest troop reduction gesture in the Canal zone made by us in response to the reopening of the Canal by Sadat. It would be a precedent he argued, and draw pressure for further withdrawals and concessions after it. It is difficult for an honest man to represent it as an immediate danger to our lines. The argument on precedent is not particularly convincing.

It is significant to recall at this stage that a total withdrawal from a 30-kilometre zone, and perhaps further, more than they have now, to enable the Canal to be reopened, was offered to the Egyptians at the time of the visit of U.S. Secretary of State Rogers. The offer was made by then Defence Minister Moshe Dayan, as a way back to normalcy, and turned down by the Egyptians. This could have been because Rogers told them to wait a bit and they would get the lot, because that was American policy on the issue. It could be, as close observers of the Middle East thought at the time, because it would involve an agreement with Israel, and even something in the nature of gratitude for a favour received. This would be too high a price to pay for the Canal, especially when Egypt seemed able to do without it quite easily. Sadat's current triumph is clearly intended to spell out "we did it ourselves," and contraty to expectations he was even prepared to cast a crumb of appreciation in our direction for the troop withdrawal, estimating it rightly as a gesture signalling "we are willing to talk business."

SADAT apparently recognizes a symbolic gesture when he sees one, just as the world press has recognized it. In the Israel Cabinet, on the other hand, there was some dissension because it is difficult for the doves to support a political step of this kind if it emanates from Prime Minister Rabin and is in fact presented by Defence Minister Shimon Peres. If they cannot say it is wrong then all that is left as a complaint is that it is insufficient and useless, an argument quickly contradicted by Sadat himself. It is one of the truly puzzling and even discouraging aspects of our relations with the neighbouring Arab states that our doves have never cut much ice with them. What the Arabs would like is defeated hawks, not triumphant doves, bearing gifts.

Mr. Shostak pointed out that only a few days ago the Prime Minister said that the re-opening of the Canal was not a peace gesture directed towards Israel, but a move towards the U.S., and that it would be exploited to squeeze territorial concessions from Israel.

Shostak: What has changed since he said that? Who was it really caused the Government to make this gesture of thinning out troops?

The answer Shostak presumably had in mind, "Ford and Kissinger," hung heavy in the air. *David Coren:* The new adviser, apparently. (Laughter)

The "new adviser" is the controversial super-hawk, Aluf (Res.) Ariel Sharon, whose inclusion in the Prime Minister's personal staff has set the dovecotes aflutter, and this time not only the dovecotes but the eyries of the hawks as well.

Foreign Minister Allon's explanation of the gesture in reply to Shostak was brief and to the point, and included a warning that the withdrawal was reversible if Egypt gave cause for concern. He was himself apparently not enthusiastic about the whole business. In any case the final decision was probably made while he was in Rumania, and there has in any case been some argument.

THE UNEVEN PATTERN of the voting at the end of this almost meaningless motion to the agenda shows an open challenge to the Rabin Cabinet and growing movement inside the Labour party. The reason may not be immediately apparent. Mr. Rabin certainly found popular support for his refusal to sign the Egyptian proposals last March and thereby cause the break-up of the Kissinger shuttle, possibly more support than he had himself anticipated. Unless things go unexpectedly wrong during his visit to Washington next week, he should enjoy further popular support for whatever agreement is made there. There is now evidence that he is capable of blocking the Americans if he believes the occasion calls for it, and there will be less fear that we are totally under the Kissinger thumb or that Mr. Rabin is taken in by Kissinger wiles.

Nevertheless, former Foreign Minister Abba Eban has been expressing himself loudly in favour of an immediate Geneva Conference rather than more interim agreements. He has the support, for reasons of their own, of some hawks who believe a Geneva meeting would simply break down and thereby tend to perpetuate the present situation. There are also military men who argue against step-by-step withdrawal as involving us in horrendous costs for the repeated rebuilding of front-line fortifications and other installations that could cripple the defence forces in other fields. Mr. Eban out of office has proved unexpectedly tough and enterprising, and his abstention on this vote together with three other, on the whole, dovish members is an open challenge to the Rabin Government. According to one theory Mr. Rabin took Arik Sharon into his office in order to silence his opposition and criticism outside. Perhaps Mr. Eban plans to return to the Cabinet by a parallel route.

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MARKETING WITH MARTHA

Call me Columbo

I HAVE BEEN DOING some detective work lately, following up tips on new business ventures. There is nothing dangerous or daring about my tasks. In the fashion of Columbo, I simply wear down my subjects with endless questions until they desire only to see me go away and write whatever I wish.

My first lead took me to a firm called "Shilev" which boasts "direct marketing to mother's house." It is a new approach to one-stop shopping for mothers-to-be. True, *most shops for babies'* and children's furniture will be glad to make up a list of planned purchases before the baby is born. But few of these shops can boast "everything for the newborn" — down to the creams for his little bottom and other accessories usually found in pharmacies.

"Shilev" (Hebrew for "join together" or "combine") is located in an upstairs apartment at 3 Rehov Hovevei Zion, Tel Aviv, not far from Mugrabi Circle. It is managed by Shoshana Oren, a young mother of two, who clearly remembers what it was like to be a *brand-new mother. This is* already a difference from the situation in most baby-furniture shops, which are generally managed by men.

It is a wise, old Jewish custom not to bring equipment for a first baby into the home until the child has been born safe and sound. On the other hand, parents-to-be have to make some preparations.

The proposal of Shilev (and of most other baby-equipment shops) is that the prospective parents make up a shopping list in advance. Shilev promises to deliver to homes in the Tel Aviv *region within 24 hours after the* birth, in response to a telephone call. Payment can be made in three monthly instalments, without interest. Goods can be returned within one month after the birth — to give parents a chance to see what they get as gifts. Relatives and friends can also use the shopping order as a gift-selection list.

There is a IL300 minimum on delivery orders, but this is not hard to surpass since the least expensive baby crib, a simple pine-wood locally produced model, costs IL440. (An Italian bed with carved wood costs IL880.) Shilev's showroom has a goodly selection of local (about 60 per cent) and imported baby equipment. In baby carriages, the combination *pram-and-stroller is most popular* these days, Mrs. Oren says, and she points out that the local Mera carriage won two quality prizes this year, for design and for service. Mera's dual-purpose pram *costs IL470* at Shilev. The fabric most in vogue with blue-jeaned young mothers is a plastic in a blue denim colour.

SHILEV ENCOURAGES customers to shop around and compare prices. Since walking is good for pregnant women, I would advise them to do a lot of shopping around before deciding what to buy where. For instance, in Tel Aviv, you can usually find baby carriages and other equipment at discount prices at the factories or importers themselves. But it is sometimes worth paying slightly more to get everything at one shop, and to have an "address" later if you need repairs or spare parts.

About the time I visited Shilev, I received a letter from a mother-to-be in Jerusalem asking "how to beat the high cost of having a first baby" in terms of equipment. One way, of course, is to buy things second-hand or borrow them from friends whose babies have grown. On the other hand, if you are planning a family of several children, the initial purchase of good new equipment for the first child may pay off in the long run. Keep in *mind that grandparents and other* relatives and friends are often only too happy to give generous gifts to a first-born in the family. I wish more people would be willing to give practical gifts for new babies — towels, blankets, crib sheets, even packages of diapers and sets of undershirts, rather than fancy clothes in tiny sizes. Most advisers, including Shilev and myself, say you should have a stock of 36 diapers on hand.

A final touch of service at Shilev: For mothers-in-waiting who cannot get to the shop, there are sales representatives who can pay home visits and take orders there. Prams, for instance, can be chosen from colour photographs. I would not generally suggest ordering equipment without seeing it in person, except in rare circumstances when the prospective mother cannot get out to shop. In such a case, there should be an understanding that goods are returnable if unsatisfactory for some reason.

For further details, Shilev can be reached by telephone at 03-295603.

MY NEXT DETECTIVE assignment was to look into a proposed shopping scheme for tourists, called "Cashop" — short for "cash shop." *It is being presented to* Israeli business firms, with the suggestion that they join up for a IL250 fee and get their names and addresses in a shopping booklet for visitors.

The plan is to work like this: The tourist will receive a membership card in his name, for which he — or his travel agent — will pay $2. This will entitle him to discounts of 10 per cent or more, as listed in the booklet, at the participating shops, restaurants and places of entertainment. There will also be "bonus vouchers" for special gifts, such as a free museum ticket or "a free leather hat with purchase of a coat" and so forth.

The business firms, for their part, are supposed to benefit from increased trade by tourists. (At present, tourist *shops are often* dependent on tour guides to bring them customers, and the guides usually expect a commission.) The shops joining "Cashop" will get cash-paying customers. *Travellers' cheques will be* accepted as cash, but it is still being debated whether overseas credit cards will be acceptable. For their part, the shops must undertake in writing to "Cashop" to abide by their discount offers, and to ensure that these are "real" rather than "fictitious" reductions in price.

The "Cashop" directory is expected to be ready by late July, and the discount offers must stay in effect until October 1, 1976.

In Israel, the tourist shopping plan is being organized by Stier Publications '75 Ltd., a sister firm of D.J. Stier *Advertising Ltd.*, which does the publicity for Koppel Tours. The Stier enterprises are currently located at 29 Ben Zion Blvd., Tel Aviv, but the offices are moving next month to *10 Lipsky St.*, also in Tel Aviv. It is only a four-year-old firm, but is a member in good standing of the Better Business Bureau. Its owner-manager is a young man, Dov Stier, who reports that another current project of Stier Publications is the forthcoming "ISART — The Golden Israeli Artists Yearbook," a guide in English to most of Israel's recognized painters and sculptors.

Mr. Stier says that the "Cashop" scheme is a private one without any connection at present with either the Ministry of *Tourism or the Merchants* Association. However, the first shops solicited for "Cashop" were those listed in the Ministry's "Recommended for Tourists" booklet.

Personally, I cannot say that I am wildly enthusiastic about the whole idea, but I am at least convinced that it is a legitimate operation backed by reputable firms.

Martha Meisels

CULINARY NOTES / Haim Shapiro

Cool cucumber

IF VEGETABLES had their own psychiatrists, and the day is surely not far off when the better class of gardener must realize that plants need more than physical attention, one of the first problems of the new science might be whether it is worse for a plant to be *maligned or neglected.*

Spinach has its many detractors, but this at least rates it a certain amount of attention and assures it a virtual army of defenders. The poor cucumber, on the other hand, has neither detractors nor defenders. It only arouses a modicum of passion when some mid-European cook puts a little too much sugar into the limp wet mixture that goes under the name of cucumber salad.

We tend too often to neglect this cool, crisp delicacy, superbly suited to the summer months. In other Mediterranean countries it is no more unusual to see pedestrians eating freshly peeled cucumbers than it is to see people eating ice cream in Israel.

In recent years, a certain amount of seasonal confusion has resulted in the appearance, in the winter, of the long "Dutch" cucumbers. These are so named not because they are imported from that friendly country, but because they compete with *Holland's hothouse product for the* British market.

However, summer or winter, the Israeli cucumber is an especially fine, sweet specimen. It is hardly ever necessary to throw away the seeds, as others are forced to do. Nor are Israeli cucumbers coated with a nasty layer of wax to keep them in a state of tasteless crispness for an *indefinite period.*

The cucumber, aside from its function as a beauty aid and as a participant in mixed salad, is an excellent addition to vegetable soup. Grated, it need only be drained, seasoned with an onion, salt and pepper, and mixed with white cheese, to form a most delicate spread.

But one of the nicest dishes is cooked cucumber. To prepare one version of this dish, peel about a dozen fresh little cucumbers and slice them in half. Drop into boiling salted water and cook for about five minutes (larger cucumbers may take a few minutes longer). Drain the vegetables and pack them face down in a buttered baking pan. Sprinkle with butter, grated cheese and breadcrumbs and put under the broiler just long enough for the topping to brown. The dish may be served in any state, from hot to lukewarm.

The cheese mixture may be replaced by either a tomato or a *white sauce, but both of these,* to my mind, tend to smother the delicate flavour of the cucumbers.

IT OCCURS TO ME / Hadassah Bat Haim

A brand new coat

AFTER WAITING around in vain for the past three or four years, *hoping that someone — anyone —* would notice the increasing shabbiness of the furniture and be moved to remedy it instead of just making disparaging remarks, there seems no alternative but to *tackle it myself.* The rot has gone a lot deeper than I had intended to let it go and practically every thing is affected, but they are a very unobservant lot around here.

By the time I finally finish organizing the complicated juxtaposition of material, space and leisure connected with any renovations in a household like ours (where they are done in spurts, rather than constantly as they should be) I am dismayed by all there is to do. Fourteen chairs, each with a full complement of legs, for cleaning, scraping and painting. This adds up to an awful lot of legs. *And each one requiring* the same pincer movements to cover all their tubular surfaces. By the sixteenth or seventeenth (leg, not chair), I have an incipient hump and surface for coffee in a crablike hunch which I hope will not be permanent. Maybe the Victorian custom of shrouding the nether limbs of whatnots had something to recommend besides modesty.

My strategy is simple. In spite of pressure from the younger members of the family for something eye-catching, I provide myself with two pots of paint. When the can of white is finished I will apply black to everything left over. A little clinical perhaps, but uncomplicated. It turns out to be a wise *choice: Against the dog's* sable fur the black is invisible, and the white adds a touch of distinction. On my own hands and feet, however, the splotches are not so becoming and the smell of turpentine that emanates from my skin and hair definitely lacks allure.

MY DAUGHTER, pressed into service, cons several of her pals into helping on the pretext of allowing them to hold the brush as a reward for virtue. Unfortunately all my friends have read Tom Sawyer and remember the ruse as well as I do.

When we have finished, there is a fair amount of paint covering the verandah, a large number of cups and some cutlery. True, the furniture is smartly renewed, *vaguely reminiscent of a chess* board, but Eliana, our two year old, has managed to sit in pools of both kinds and comes out a steely grey.

On second glance, the fresh look of our appointments is not so sensational. The absence of rusty corners, verdigris, mould, and faded sunspots has to be pointed out, and even then elicits nothing more than forced expressions of admiration. No sympathy for backache, vertigo and spots (black and white) before the eyes. Perhaps I should have gone the psychedelic way after all. That, at least, would *not have gone* unnoticed.

HOSPITAL STORY

Netanel Lorch

I HAVE BEEN fortunate enough not to have spent too much of my life in hospitals, but my experience covers quite a variety of them, in different continents. I therefore consider myself an expert on the subject. After all, what do doctors and nurses know about hospitals? They merely work there; the patients, who live in them, are the ones who really know what is going on.

The first time I was hospitalized was in Great Britain, some months after the end of World War II. His Majesty's Government, in its wisdom, had decided that the best time for an Oriental like myself to undergo advanced infantry training was the bitter cold winter of 1945-46. However, the combination of snow below, rain above, with me in the middle practising different styles of crawling was too much even for my robust constitution. I developed bronchitis and was sent to a military hospital.

There were about 20 of us in the room, with various ailments, real, imaginary or pretended. Every morning we had to straighten our beds and then lie at attention on top of the blanket for morning inspection by the head nurse, a woman (she must have been, for she wore a skirt) who rightly had the rank of sergeant-major. Before that, the fellow with the lowest temperature in the ward had to sweep the floor. For several days I found myself doing the job — even though my temperature was well over 39 degrees (or, rather, its equivalent in Fahrenheit) and I was aching all over. Then the veteran in the next bed took pity on me and put me wise to the trick. This was to adjust the thermometer upwards, which can be done easily enough by rubbing it briskly against a rough blanket while the nurse's back is turned. From then onwards I managed to ensure that my temperature was sufficiently high to exclude me from the sweeping chore until one day, almost miraculously, it returned to normal, and I was released.

The physician in charge of the hospital was an elderly, limping gentleman who, judging by the campaign ribbons he sported on his white tunic must have participated in every imperial war, from the Boer War onwards. Each morning he made the rounds of the wards followed by the aforementioned head nurse.

"Good morning, my boy," he said mechanically, "how are you, my boy?" But, like Pontius Pilatus, he never stayed for an answer. "Same treatment, Sister," and off he went to the next bed.

Altogether, it was the most disciplined hospital I have known, and therefore one of the most efficient: few patients were inclined to stay in the place longer than was absolutely necessary.

ONE OF MY memorable encounters with hospital hospitality was in Colombo, Ceylon — now Sri Lanka. Diagnosis: acute appendicitis. Although by training and inclination I am a sworn anti-colonialist, anti-imperialist — when it came to the choice of a hospital, I preferred that of the British planters, which had an enviable reputation for sterilization and cleanliness. The operation, performed by an excellent Ceylonese surgeon, went off without complications, and I was recuperating in the magnificently quiet and peaceful surroundings of which the hospital was rightly proud.

One day, an Australian rabbi, returning from Israel, stopped off at Colombo; not finding me at the Legation, he came to see me at the hospital and we had a long and friendly chat. Soon after his departure, I found that the attitude of the hospital staff towards me changed. Passing my room, they walked on tiptoe; entering it, they wore solemn expressions on their faces; talking in my presence, they spoke in whispers.

I could not for the life of me understand the change — until a night orderly, with whom I had become friendly, solved the mystery: the staff were convinced that the rabbi had been summoned from Australia to perform the last rites, or take a last confession. If such effort and expense were justified, they reasoned, my condition must be critical and my earthly demise at hand. I was glad to disappoint them — whereupon the smiling faces natural to most Ceylonese returned.

THE NEXT SCENE takes place in Buenos Aires, Argentina. I had fallen off a horse, or rather had let myself drop before the beast had a chance to kill me, which it was determined to do.

Following a lengthy trip by private plane and taxi, a pre-scheduled speech which I delivered sitting down, in torn clothes and aching all over — I was in the country on a lecture tour — I ended up, well after midnight, in the Jewish Hospital of the Argentinian capital.

Now, this was not the most modern hospital - the building was old, the green paint peeling off the walls — but it was by far the most cosy and friendly I have ever been in. I was put in a cast, and every evening two orderlies carried me bodily to a taxi, which delivered me to the venue of that night's speech; the rest of the time I spent in bed and received visitors from neighbouring rooms.

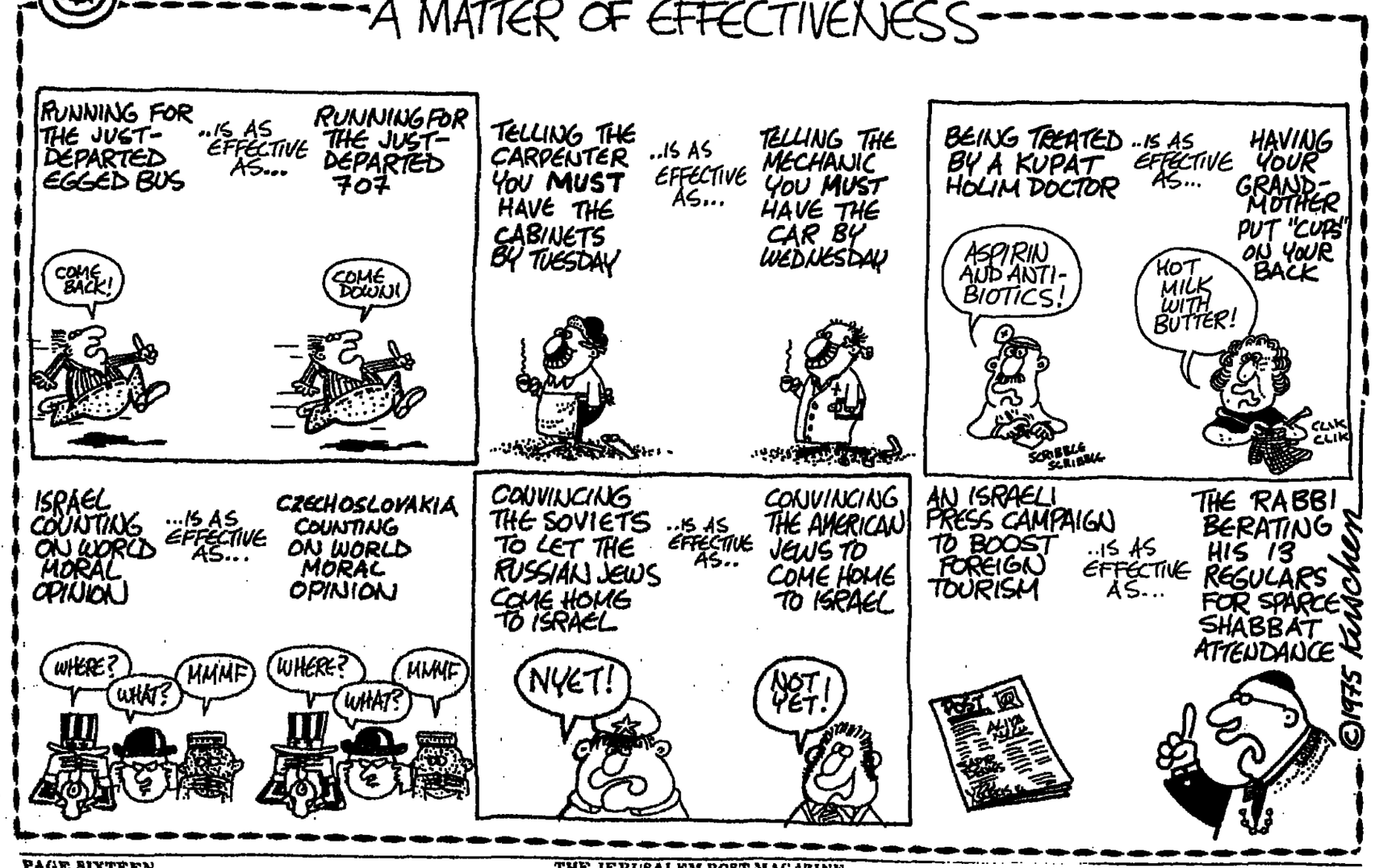
My most cherished daily visit was from the chief cook — he had come from Hungary, wore a huge white chef's cap, was a master of his art. We had detailed discussions concerning the day's menu, weighing the relative advantages of Hungarian goulash and wienerschnitzel, of crème Bavaria and chocolate mousse. The results of these conversations were evident in the gourmet's food I was served — unequalled in any restaurant even in Buenos Aires, a city renowned for its restaurants.

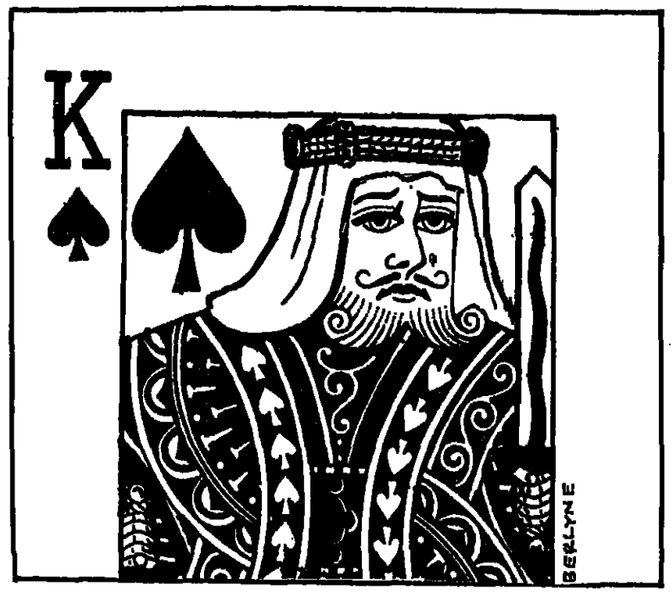
EVENTUALLY, after 40 years in this country, I came to know the inside of an Israeli hospital. To tell the truth, it was not precisely the quietest and most restful I have known, but undoubtedly it was the most stimulating intellectually. Where else can a patient suffering from insomnia find a group of orderlies, nurses, patients and relatives to discuss, inflation at 10 p.m., the Israeli-Arab problem at 2 a.m., the Book of Job at 5 a.m.? Politics was the favourite subject — with religion a close second.

The religious attitudes of the patients, differing widely, somehow seemed to merge in that particular environment. The unbelievers were ready, even eager, to discuss Divine Will, while the believers had some difficulty in swallowing the apparent gap between it and their own wishes.

A most popular entertainment in the hospital in question was the pyjama game — the daily attempt to find a jacket and trousers which would fit the patient and, if possible, bear some relationship to each other. I must admit that I invariably lost the game — the trousers were either too short or too wide, the jacket of different coloured stripes and too narrow. When one day I found myself only able to walk around by holding up a pair of cordless trousers with my hands, I gave up. Henceforward, I wore my own pyjamas, and felt like a king.

Dry Bones





CALLING THE BLUFF

The appointment of Avraham Agmon to head the battle against the Arab boycott may signal the start of serious counter-action by Israel and Jews the world over. David Krivine explains why a concerted effort could wreak havoc with the boycotters' plans.

THE ARAB BOYCOTT is not new; but up until now Israelis took little notice of it, because it failed to harm their interests. Best to ignore it, people felt.

Since the oil-price explosion in 1973, Arab pressure has become more hurtful. It is still not hurtful enough to force a re-assessment among the Jews of their response. Yet a new problem has emerged that warrants attention. It springs from the indifference of the Jews, as much as from the power of the Arabs.

The target of the boycott is business firms. Business firms act in accordance with business considerations. The business consideration in this case is that the Arabs get cross, and the Jews do not. The Arabs object if Joe Bloke does business with Israel. The Jews do not object if he writes an abject letter to the Arabs promising that he will shun all Israeli customers.

Under the circumstances (Joe Bloke surmises) what is there to lose? Petro-dollars are all the rage. So companies find themselves out-boycotting the boycott, in a frenzy of ingratiating salesmanship. The Arabs do not forbid the sale of goods (other than weaponry) to Israel. No matter: some firms refuse orders just in case.

There is a pathetic side to this ecstasy of self-denial. As the London "Economist" stated last month: "One of the saddest sights in the choked hotels of the countries around the Gulf is the foreign businessman waiting for a deal that always seems on the point of materializing, but never does." That businessman will certainly have in his pocket the requisite "negative certificate of origin," testifying that his firm "has no commercial, industrial and/or any other relations with Israel."

The boycott is largely a bluff — and it does not work too well if the bluff is called. TWA, Hilton, Sheraton, Ford, Leyland, Dassault, the Club Méditerranée — all broke the boycott rules, and all are welcome operators in Arab markets. Van der Stoel, Holland's Foreign Minister, cancelled a trip to Saudi Arabia because they would not admit a Jewish journalist in his train. A few months later, Henry Kissinger was given a royal welcome in Riyadh, complete with five Jewish journalists.

For that matter, the U.S. Government supplies arms to Israel on a formidable scale, and no Arab sanctions are applied. Latest figure on the black-list is, to quote the British "Guardian" newspaper, "the entire Bahai religion," because it has important shrines in Israel. The "Guardian" columnist comments drily: "Will the Boycott Office outlaw Roman Catholicism next? I doubt it. The Pope has more divisions."

DIVISIONS, OF COURSE, is the answer. People can stand up to Arab importunities if they are not vulnerable. They are safe, for example, if they have no desire to trade with the Arabs; or if the Arabs need *their* trade, which is not infrequently the case.

They can also be safe if they band together — if all agree that discrimination (of any kind) is out. The attempt to ostracize Jewish banks worked in England, where Kleinwort Benson excluded both S.G. Warburg and N.M. Rothschild from a loan, arranged (with Arab participation) for a Japanese company. It worked in France, where Lazard Frères was excluded by the Crédit Lyonnais and the Banque Nationale de Paris (both State-owned institutions), from an issue syndicate for Air France (which is another State-owned concern).

But in the U.S. and in West Germany, the banks stood together against these policies of discrimination; and the Arab effort collapsed. A comment made by the Socialist Group of the European Parliament, in a confidential document dated April 1975, is illuminating: "It will be easier for individual member States (of the EEC) to say no to discrimination imposed by the Arab world if it is certain that other member States will also say no."

The problem that has to be faced is the extent of the Arabs' power to damage private business interests in other people's countries. That power exists, it cannot be denied. But there is already a superstition current that exaggerates the reality. Men have always tended to overestimate *parvenu* autarchies. Hitler used to be compared with God. (It was a joke, but one that evoked no laughter.)

Arab power likewise seems immense. All that money pouring into their laps — it is hypnotic. Business firms, agog for more orders, think no further than they have to. They fall easily to the blandishments of the sheikh, who waves tantalizing dollar bills before their noses.

BUT THE SHEIKH'S position is not so mighty that he can order the industrialized world around like servants. It is necessary to place developments in their proper perspective. The Arabs have a closed shop in oil; they will not have it forever. Normalizing forces are already at work. President Ford has doubled the tariff on oil imports, and removed the price ceiling on local substitutes.

Oil prices are going to fall, because the outside world is busy developing an energy surplus. Anyway, constant overcharging would eventually (to quote the "Economist" again) make the goose that lays the golden eggs (the petro-dollars) "too sickly to go on laying."

The money that is pouring in at present is not going to transform the Arab countries overnight. According to that same "Economist" in an excellent 90-page survey of the Middle East oil problem: "A large part of its (Saudi Arabia's) population still lives in a mental world far removed from the industrial era; its educational system has hardly begun to function; its potential middle class is tiny; and it is a country where a small group of senior administrators presides over a bureaucracy lethargic even by Gulf standards."

In a word, the Mideast countries depend too much on the West to antagonize it by hectoring tactics. They are walking on the edge of a precipice as it is. The most advanced States in the world do not like to be held at ransom by desert chieftains playing monopoly. They do not relish watching their industries, hotels, banks and real estate being bought up with the money that was extorted from their own pockets by the most impudent economic cartel in history.

A flood of legislative proposals is before the U.S. Congress not only to halt Arab discrimination, but to leash "foreign" investments (that is, investment by the Gulf powers) in America. Senator Harrison Williams tabled a bill to prevent the acquisition of more than 5 per cent in U.S. companies by any foreign investor who should be engaged in the boycott of an American firm because of its dealings with an outside country.

SENATOR DANIEL INOUYE presented a milder measure, asking for disclosure whenever more than 5 per cent of any stock is bought by a foreigner. Senator John Sparkman wants 90 days' notice prior to any purchase or lease of any right or title to a natural resource in the U.S., with Presidential powers to invalidate the acquisition if it impinges on the availability of such resources to the United States.

Senator William Roth would prohibit any foreign investment in "sensitive" areas — the defence industries and the media. Representative Robert A. Roe would set up a National Foreign Investment Control Commission, to monitor foreign ownership, with powers to divest. Representative Joseph Graydos would forbid foreigners to buy more than 5 per cent of voting stock, or 35 per cent of non-voting stock. Senator Hugh Scott would like disclosure of holdings that exceed $10,000. Representative Stephen Solarz would prohibit foreign purchase into companies important to the nation's political or economic security.

Each of these proposals is a bill before the American legislature, suggesting that the financial imbalance created by OPEC is a cause of anxiety. The imperialist is now the Arab, functioning via the money market. His position is sensitive. If he overdoes things, it could be the straw that breaks the camel's back. If he not only buys out American assets, but takes it upon himself to dictate in the West exactly who folks may or may not do business with, he might just provoke counter-measures that could complicate his own situation. The Socialist Group in the European Parliament believes that the Community should set "a ceiling for participation by Arab investors in undertakings in the Community, in order "*to prevent these undertakings from being involved in Arab economic discrimination.*"

SO FAR, ALL this political stock-taking suggests a mood in Europe and North America, and little more than that. Governments will probably refrain from specifically taking action, as long as Arab Governments do not thrust this boycott business down their throats. Therefore, the confrontation will remain at a homely level between the blustering Mr. Mohamed Mahgoub in Damascus (with his various branch offices in the different Arab countries) and the agitated private businessman. Avshalom Kennet, of Israel's Foreign Ministry, calls it the "billiard-table syndrome." The Arab aims his billiard ball not at the billiard ball of the Israeli, but at that of the unfortunate Western businessman — — which is made to suffer a second collision with the Israeli billiard ball.

Joe Bloke, in fact, becomes the fall-guy. Or he would be if there was a comeback from the Jewish side. That was not necessary when the problem was Mahgoub's rather hilarious questionnaires. It is different when Joe Bloke, a non-Arab, sends Israel to Coventry. He does it because there is no reason not to, because it is the jolly thing to do nowadays, because capering before the Arab plutocrats pays off.

He will desist if he discovers that it does not pay off after all. Jewish counter-pressure could call the Arab bluff. It would turn the situation upside down. The injured party would discover a wholesome truth, that a conscientious attitude of non-discrimination on his part towards both Jew and Arab will keep his nose clean in either camp.

Avraham ("Bumo") Shavitt, a hard-headed Jewish industrialist (and newly-elected President of the Manufacturers Association) is clear on the steps required. "The matter concerns us businessmen," he growls. Needed is a new, non-Governmental organization, headed by one top-level businessman in Israel and one abroad. It would conduct a counter-action to the blackmail. Any company yielding to the Arab boycott would be subject to the Jewish boycott — and the response among Jews would not be slow in coming.

THE ORGANIZATION would refrain from penalizing undertakings which are heavily committed to the Arab sector, like the oil companies. It would select for its target those firms which have no cause to yield to Arab blackmail, other than an overweening ambition to make an easy buck. Such concerted action, conducted by a business community which has a sophisticated knowledge of the money market, could wreak havoc with the Arab boycott.

The Jewish financial sector is a sleeping giant, reluctant to wake. The Israel Government has been more complacent still. Once upon a time it called off a proposed boycott by American customers of Toyota Motors, because the Japanese company's agent in the U.S. turned out to be a major contributor to the UJA. Jews are queueing with the best of them, to serve the Arab market. It is learnt from a reliable source that one has been spotted trying to corner the sesame seed market, because he read in the Encyclopaedia Britannica that the Arabs are consumers of sesame seed.

But a well-ordered campaign would rally all circles eagerly. And there is a new man to lead it, at least on the Israeli side. Last Sunday the Cabinet approved the appointment of a very senior civil servant, Avraham Agmon (formerly the Treasury's Director-General), to act as adviser to the Government on Matters Concerning Economic Warfare. The intention was to call him, more curtly, Adviser on Economic Warfare (leaving out "Matters Concerning"). But that might have suggested a Government bent on hostilities, which is not the case. "I am to deal with other countries' economic warfare against us," Agmon smiled.

What will he do? Examine the situation first. Talk to those affected, at home and abroad. Both sides are directly concerned, he says. "What starts as a boycott against Israel turns quickly into a boycott against the Jews. As ever, adversity creates an identity of interests between the two communities.

"Democratic governments are not enamoured of attempts — never mind by whom — to interfere with the freedom of business and the freedom of trade. That is another factor to help our cause. All these considerations together make me confident that I can do something to discharge the task laid upon me," Agmon concludes.

There are good reasons for taking action to oppose the Arab campaign. But what counts is the action taken. The entry into the field of Avraham Agmon (the man who organized, among other things, the Economic Conference) may provide the opportunity needed to spark a collective response among Jewish communities the world over. The time has come to show Mahgoub's world-wide Boycott Office that the game is not worth the candle. Not only the Pope has divisions.

Efrat Lavie, as Hanna, and Oded Kotler, as Michael, in Danny Wolman's film version of Amos Oz's best-selling "My Michael."

CONVERSATIONS WITH EFRAT

For EFRAT LAVIE, budding star of stage and screen, the theatre is by no means her entire life. But she takes it very seriously all the same, as HELGA DUDMAN found out in a recent interview.

WHEN Hanna Gonen's unhappy marriage and alienated personality unfold in public later this month, Yettchen will continue to pirouette prettily and float *through the air toward her handsome* young man.

Hanna Gonen is known to thousands of Israeli readers as the problematic heroine of Amos Oz's record best-seller, "My Michael," set in Jerusalem of the fifties. It has now been *made* into a film by Danny Wolman which will be released in several weeks.

Yettchen, on the other hand, is the giggly, acrobatic ingenue in the Habima's smash hit "On Frivolity and Hypocrisy." The play is by an 18th century scholar and *Maskil*, Reb Aharon Wolfsohn, and it has been hard to get tickets to Omri Nitzan's remarkable production since it opened nearly five months ago.

Worlds apart in style and content, both roles are played by Efrat Lavie, a 24-year-old Tel Aviv girl who has had practically no formal dramatic training. To learn something of why this particular girl was chosen for these two juicy parts, and why she was trusted to have the discipline and *ability to cope with these extremely* different roles, I spent several hours with Efrat recently.

Two clues came out of our meeting. First, Efrat's surprising statement, at this heady juncture of success: "Right now, I must think about learning some practical alternative to the theatre, translation, perhaps, or journalism."

That provides illumination at the intellectual level. The second clue was more elusive. Throughout our conversation, Efrat came across as a serious, quiet, well-behaved girl with a well-scrubbed look and a manner that shifted, as appropriate, from humour to sadness; but I had the feeling that, had circumstances required it, she could have played the scene in an endless number of different styles and been true to herself in each.

There is something about her that sticks to you. It is called talent, I think. In an actress — especially in the new breed of cinema actresses — it seems to involve a certain quality of inner tension which can be directed in ways that suit today's cinema mood, and which is impossible to convey briefly in words.

THE BASIC FACTS are not unusual. Efrat was born in Hadera, moved to Tel Aviv as a baby, started dancing lessons at nine, like thousands of other little Israeli girls. When she was 16, the family spent a year in America where her father was sent on a Jewish Agency assignment. The noteworthy development there: "I learned to play the guitar." After finishing high school, and on the look-out for "something interesting" in the army, she tried out for an entertainment unit, at her older sister's suggestion. "I sang something from 'My Fair Lady,' and was accepted." She appeared with the Central Command Troupe from 1968 to 1970, "365 times with one programme."

After her release from the army, "I did have some offers from producers — but I was terribly young. I thought of being a dancer, and received a scholarship at Bat-Dor. It really never occurred to me to be an actress; earlier, I suppose I'd wanted to be the things everybody wants to — a nurse, an army officer. I wanted to learn so I enrolled for courses at Tel Aviv University. English, because I like languages, psychology, philosophy. The idea wasn't to get a degree — I loved studying, and could never understand people who say they are bored by classes. Eventually, I finished the four-year B.A. course in English Literature and Theatre."

Meanwhile, some film parts came along — in "Casablan," "Katz and Carasso," "The Martyr," also, one fine stage role: Viola in "Twelfth Night," in Orna Porat's Municipal Children's Theatre.

In the Yom Kippur War, Efrat was recalled to the Central Command Troupe and spent four months on reserve duty: "Yes, it was very different from my army service. So many of the soldiers were older this time, reservists *like ourselves, and like ourselves,* anxious to get it over with and to get home." Something else happened to Efrat in the war. She lost her closest friend, a classmate at the university, a boy called Nadav who was killed in Sinai.

"The war changed me. I'm not the same person I was before. I see the world in different colours now. To put it in terms of the cinema, I see things now in softer, more subdued colours. I have friends abroad — *two boys in* France — and they, of course, haven't changed at all; they've retained their light-heartedness. No, I don't think all of us here have been affected in this way. It depends on the sort of person you are."

THE FILM "My Michael" was actually shot a year ago, when Efrat was all of 23 (and a half). In the book Hanna is a woman of 30, though much of the story is in flash-back. Was this age difference a problem? "Not really," said Efrat. "It was decided, for the film, to have her be 26 or 27 instead; but that's not really important."

She got the part after quite a few other actresses had been auditioned, and a number of screen tests made. Danny Wolman ("Floch") was not satisfied; he remembered seeing Efrat in a small part in "Casablan," and heard friends recommend her. She went to see Wolman, *she* told me, "wearing blue jeans."

Then you didn't care very much about getting the part? I asked.

"I cared very, very much. I very, very much wanted it. Danny asked me if I thought I could do it. *I remembered* being told that you are supposed to answer 'yes,' very decisively. I said that I thought I could."

Before shooting began, Efrat and Wolman went to see Amos Oz at his kibbutz, Hulda. It was *decided that she would "speak* first," and tell the author how she saw the role. "I said, 'This is a woman who is frustrated because she wants something, but doesn't know what it is. It is really about whether you make the decisions in your life, or whether you are passive and let life determine what happens to you."

Here Efrat digressed briefly on the notion of "determinism" applied to women in literature, with Dickens's "Little Dorrit" as an example. Then back to Amos Oz at Kibbutz Hulda: "I said I saw Hanna as disturbed because her husband had his world and was satisfied with it, while she didn't. Also, because he's less sensitive, it's easier for him to get along." (Michael Gonen is played by Oded Kotler in the film.)

Efrat then mentioned a scene in which Hanna, a reluctant mother, snaps at her young son to "go to sleep": "She's certainly no Yiddishe Mama," said Efrat. "But I've seen plenty of girls talk this way to their children."

When the author's turn came at their meeting, "he talked about how he saw Hanna and her pain. I was tremendously impressed by the respect and affection with which he spoke of the figure he had created. And he spoke of how he saw Jerusalem... This is a story of 'the Jerusalem behind the scenery,' of the people who live behind the stones of Jerusalem." The book, Efrat thought, is "not one that you must understand, but one you must feel."

Amos Oz did not interfere in the filming: " 'The book is mine,' he said, 'the film is Danny's.' But I think he's pleased with the results." Efrat's parents, too, *have seen the film,* "but they didn't react at all." This may be due to the strange parental circumstance of observing a young daughter as a frustrated housewife; Efrat sees in the role "a great deal of myself — I put much of myself into the character."

How does all this fit in with Yettchen, who flirts and pouts with stylized effectiveness, declaims difficult Hebrew while doing what amounts to a circus trapeze-act, and is probably not mentally equipped to understand what is meant by "alienation?" The common factor, to Efrat, is in the attitude. She approached both roles "as poetry, and I take Yettchen's problems just as seriously as I take Hanna's." What seems to the audience like a choreographed romp is actually the result of an unusually long rehearsal period (four months), plus the conviction of every member of the cast that "every movement has a meaning." Efrat's role is tremendously demanding physically, in the "total theatre" sense of requiring both singing and dancing, and she does long "warm-ups," vocally and gymnastically, before every performance. When I met her, she was temporarily out of the show, her arm in a sling: a serious sprain from a swing on the flying rings means that from now on there will be less athleticism, on doctor's orders.

Securing the part of Yettchen

Roosevelt, go lion-hunting in Africa. Others, however, suffer a slight mental imbalance, which is what happened to Churchill. He was still making a name — and plenty of money as well — as a writer, but this could not for long satisfy a man of his temperament. He always was afraid of idleness, feared lest his "black dog," as he called his terrible fits of depression, might catch up with him if he did not engage in some kind of frenetic activity; and as no outlet for his energy was found, he gradually became associated with increasingly outlandish issues.

First, he split with the Liberals over the question of home rule for India and went back to his original party — an almost unprecedented act that did not win him friends on either side of the floor. Next, he defended Edward VIII when the latter wanted to marry a twice-divorced woman, Wallis Simpson. *Then, he began to launch dark* warnings concerning a certain Herr Hitler who, according to him, was secretly preparing to unleash another world war. Finally, he took to painting.

As the '30s drew to a close, Churchill was almost totally isolated in the House of Commons. His views, his speech, his dress even, were coming to be regarded as outlandish, indeed as faintly crazy; then, in September 1939, the world itself went crazy, and Churchill was at home again. Recalled to his old post at the Admiralty, he chafted at the game of watch-your-enemy, and longed for some real, good action.

Since England's French allies refused to budge on Germany's western border, he had to consider all kinds of substitute action on this front; and finally found one in the thoroughly illegal — from an international lawyer's point of view — mining of Norway's territorial waters, through which the Germans were shipping their imports of Swedish iron ore. The operation was scheduled to start on April 10; Hitler, however, forestalled it by just 24 hours. British forces were landed in Norway and were quickly thrown out again; Churchill was just about to take the blame for this "second Dardanelles expedition," when *Blitzkrieg* hit France and the Low Countries and toppled the Chamberlain Government. Thus, saved at the last moment, the man who had been Chamberlain's *main opponent in the House now* found himself with his hands on the helm.

It was, indeed, a wonderful place to be. As he himself wrote, his entire previous life seemed a preparation for this supreme task; and now his finest hour had finally come. Not only his virtues — courage, tenacity, leadership, a "hundred-horsepower brain," as former Prime Minister Stanley Baldwin had once put it — but even his very defects now became assets; his faintly old-fashioned appearance, complete with bowler hat, gold watch on a chain, and cigar became endearing, and his equally outmoded manner of speech a vehicle for expressing the sentiments of the united British people.

Then there were his pranks: the "dragon gown" and "siren suit" in which he liked to work, his playful delight in handling weapons of all kinds, the obstinate refusal to go for shelter during an air raid. To the psychologists, these might well be the manifestations of a desire to "make up" for his delight in war, even of a secret wish to get killed in order to "atone" for it; despite, or perhaps because of, this reason he was just the right man at the right spot.

WHILE FEW will dispute Churchill's claim to moral leadership of the highest order, his strategic gifts and con*tributions are open to con*siderable doubts. He was hardly well-equipped to serve as Commander-in-Chief; having seen service in the ambiguous capacity of officer-journalist, he required of the strategist "the ability to visualize great movements and combinations," which demanded not only professional knowledge but "craft, foresight, and deep comprehension of the verities."

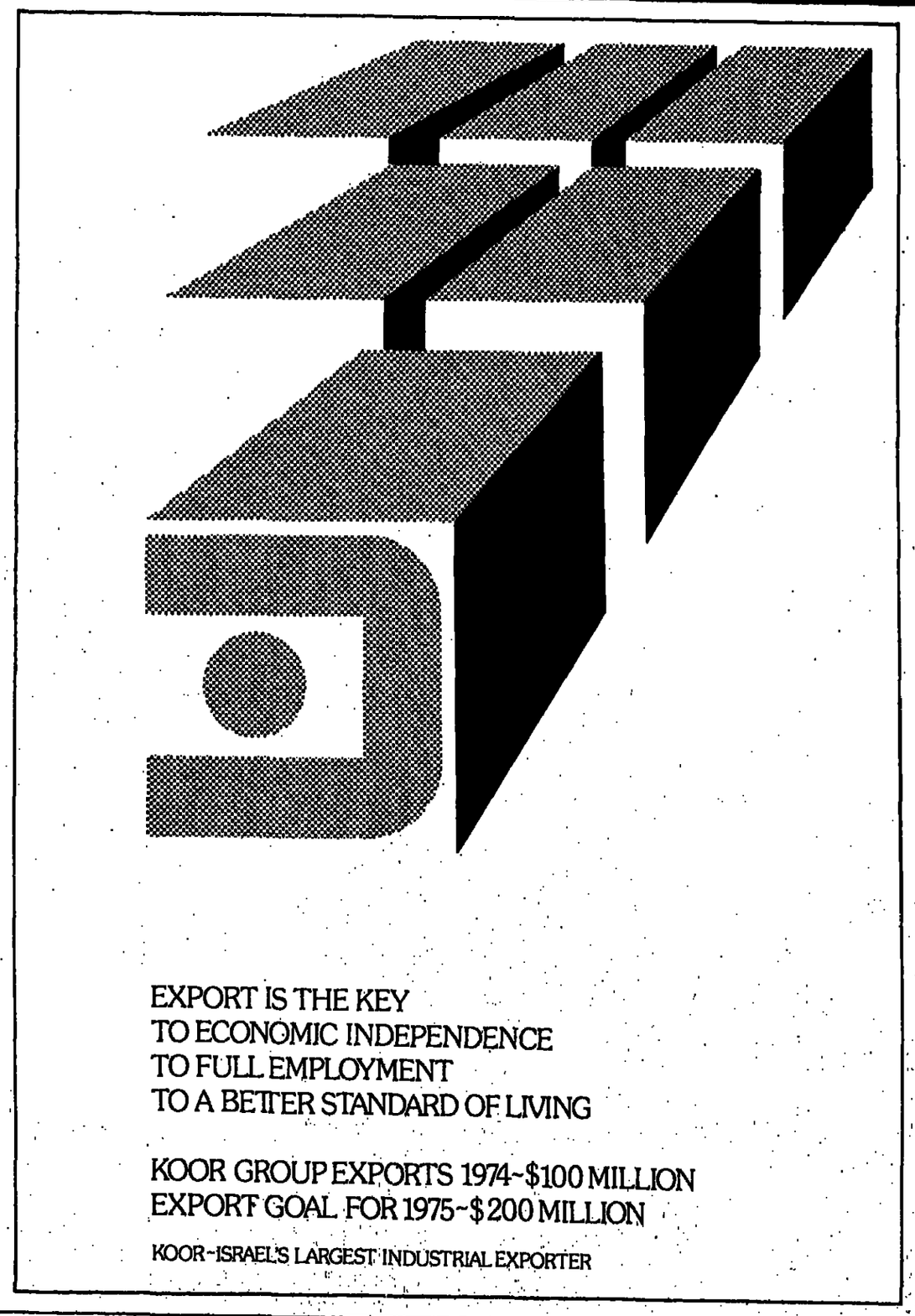
To cut a long story short, Churchill was forever spending his time dreaming up complex combinations that would, if hardly end the war, at least deal the other side a resounding blow; with equal persistence, his staff spent much of *their* time showing him why his schemes were incapable of realization. Not only was Churchill constantly on the lookout for short-cuts that would win the war, but he expected to be able to do it without shedding not merely British blood — which was only natural — but also that of the enemy.

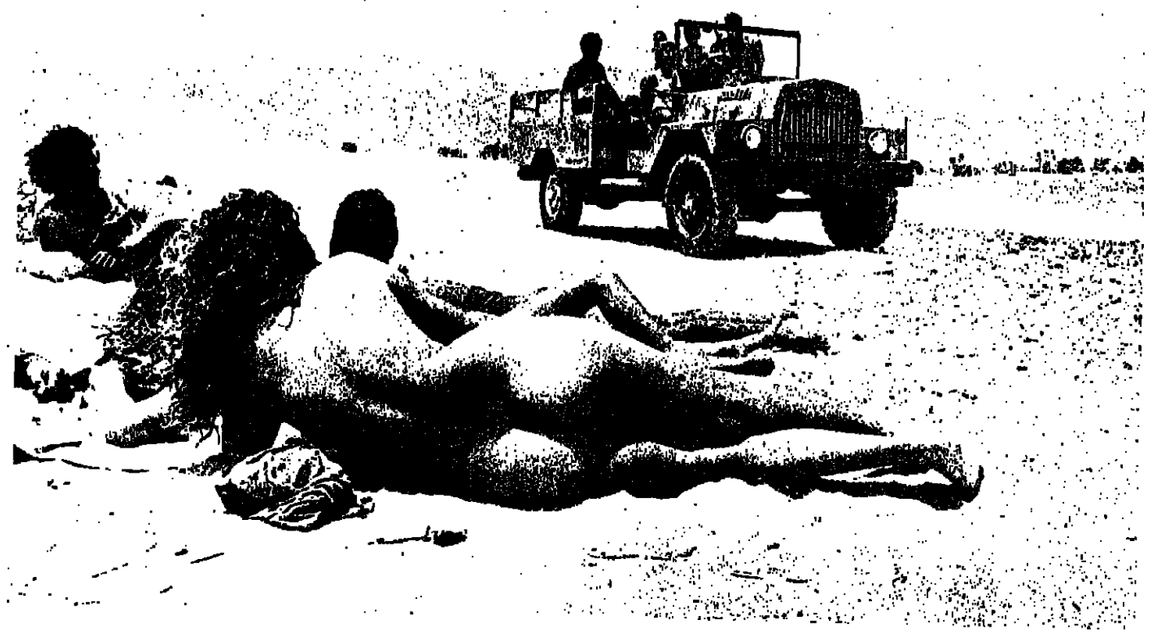
Hence, and probably as a result of the shame he felt for his own delight in war, he exhibited a marked tendency to try and win the struggle by "manoeuvre" in*stead of "slaughter"; to work out* complex plans such as the seizure of the island of Pantelleria or the blocking of the Straits of Malacca, that careful staff work would then prove to be impractical; to avoid, at almost any cost, the enemy's main army, and to concentrate on delivering, pinpricks in Norway, Africa, Greece, Italy, anywhere except the one place where Germany's strongest forces could be found and brought to battle.

Whether such means have ever served to "win" a war is doubtful; when used against an opponent such as Hitler, whose own mental structure endowed him with a marked propensity to answer pinpricks with sledgehammer blows, the result might well be disastrous — as was indeed the case in Norway, Greece, and other places where the British landed, only to be quickly evicted again.

Thus, for Churchill, the war proved something of a disappoint*ment. He lived to see it won by the* crushing numerical superiority of his allies, but after the thrilling days of 1940 and 1941 his heart was not really in the business. His life following the war was strictly anti-climactic; he seems to have realized this, and to have *sought* to avoid it by finding death in battle during the final campaign in Germany. Denied this, he resigned himself to becoming an old embittered man; not even the triumphs that still lay ahead could prevent the "black dog" from catching up with him, so that his last years were sheer hell. As he told his doctor in 1947: "It feels so lonely without a war going on."

What lessons, if any, are to be learnt from this story? Perhaps that so-called "logical" thought, whether or not assisted by theories, computers, and what-have-you, is not the only, or even the most important, basis on which decisions are made. While Churchill's conduct in both world wars can be explained with reference to strategic considerations, the real motive power behind his strategy was his own individual mental makeup. As with Churchill, so with all men; their actions cannot be predicted *solely on the basis of supposedly* "rational" considerations, much less on that of some kind of "national mentality." Since it is on this correct understanding of the other side's mental processes that the very existence of Israel depends, this is a crucial point for our policy-makers to keep in mind.





Human interest photography

David Rubinger/Photos by Anders Petersen and Shalom Bar-Tal

CERTAIN EXPRESSIONS, used too often, tend to acquire a quality of banality. In photography, such an expression is "human interest." Bandied about carelessly since the early days of photojournalism, it has lost much of its truthfulness.

Yet, it still conveys the essence of meaningful photography.

Without in any way denigrating photography which does not deal with the human being, we may well concede that featuring man is the camera's greatest achievement. And human interest means taking an interest in man's simple everyday concerns.

Only that photographer can claim to be doing "human interest" work who becomes genuinely involved in his subjects — laughing with them when he shoots them laughing, crying with them when they are in pain.

ANNA RIWKIN-BRICK, the Jewish-Swedish photographer who died in Israel four years ago, was that kind of a photographer. Her books on children the world over showed rare compassion and insight into the life of the young. Though she worked in many countries, her two great loves were Sweden and Israel, where she did some of her best and most creative photography.

It was very fitting therefore that, following her death, a committee, headed by Swedish Supreme Court Justice Ingrid Gaerde Wiedemar, was formed to award an annual prize to a photographer whose work carried the mark of "Human Interest." The award goes alternately to a Swedish and an Israeli cameraman. The photographs on these pages show the work of last year's award-winner, Sweden's Anders Petersen (p.12) and current prize-winner Shalom Bar-Tal of Israel (p. 13). Bar-Tal received the prize from Sweden's Ambassador to Israel, Mr. Sten Sunfeldt, last Wednesday.

THE TWO THEMES dealt with by Petersen, "The Pub" and "Circus," are more than just a superficial glance into these two worlds. Only a profound interest in the lives of the people portrayed can produce this kind of photo. The troubled face of the dwarf, the lovers' embrace which seems truer than truth — the camera was not just recording these, it was *with* the people.

Israel has been very much "overexposed" to the camera. The number of supposedly professional photographers trying to make a living here is almost absurdly high. Too many of them, however, are mere snapshooters, wandering around the country mindlessly pressing the shutter button.

Shalom Bar-Tal is a refreshing exception. His contribution to photography was perhaps best summed up by a picture editor who said recently: "If I assign Shalom to even the driest theme, he brings back photos that have a heart." Take the shot of the old hand on this page: it shows, in a flash, what true "human interest" photography is all about.

THE WARRIOR AND THE MAN

The quality of WINSTON CHURCHILL's leadership — especially his military leadership — has been a matter of violent argument for decades. Now may be the time for a sober reappraisal: the 100th anniversary of Churchill's birth was celebrated last year and the 30th anniversary of the Allied victory in World War II last month. MARTIN VAN CREVELD assays the task.

AS ONE OF the men whose actions shaped both World War II and the settlement following it, Winston Churchill presents a series of baffling contradictions. A person who held rather romantic notions about loyalty, he nevertheless managed the almost unique feat of surviving not one but two political party shifts. A leader who carried on through the war with ruthless determination, he yet was a most magnanimous opponent in private and even political life. A warlord who was worshipped the world over for defeating the Nazis, his actual contribution to the war effort has been the subject of violent debate ever since his chief adviser, General Alan Brooke, debunked him as "anything but a strategist." Thus the question arises, who *was* Winston Churchill?

Born to Lord Randolph Churchill, a younger son of the Duke of Marlborough, and Jenny Jerome, an American millionaire's daughter, Winston was the neglected child of brilliant if erratic parents. Physically he was small and weak, with red hair and a nose that looked, to use his own words, "like a squashed potato"; In addition, he was regarded as something of a black sheep in the family, "not clever enough to become a lawyer," which drove his father to earmark him for a military career. He spent a few extremely unhappy years at Harrow, and several more at Sandhurst, that were slightly less oppressive; anything but a brilliant student, he devoted his efforts chiefly to acquiring "a reputation for personal courage," the pursuit of which came close to costing him his life on at least one rather silly occasion.

Having graduated from Sandhurst, Churchill started chasing wars the world over. He went to Cuba to watch the Spaniards fight the rebellious natives, then joined Sir Bindon Blood on his punitive expedition against the Pathans on British India's northern frontier. Having had, as he wrote his mother, "several experiences, some of which contain the element of danger," he very soon came to think of himself as a veteran soldier who could afford to look down on the "young officers (he had not yet turned 25 himself) who were highly delighted at a few bullets that whistled or kicked up dust close by and considered each a tremendous escape." From India he went to Egypt, where he accompanied Kitchener in his reconquest of the Sudan, and from there to South Africa, where he was captured by the Boers while driving an armoured train and succeeded in effecting a highly dramatic escape.

HE WAS BECOMING known. His campaigns had resulted in numerous newspaper articles followed by a book; his reputation as a war hero helped, and his mother pulling strings for him behind the scenes (his father had died, a victim of paralysis of the brain) did not hinder either. He stood for election as a Conservative, failed, stood again, and succeeded. After a disagreement concerning his party's line over women's rights, he went over to the Liberals, who offered him a post on the Board of Trade.

He became Minister of Trade in 1908, but transferred to the Admiralty four years later; there he did much to prepare the British Navy for the coming world war, fitting its ships with bigger guns and taking the decision to substitute oil for coal as the fuel that enabled Britannia to rule the waves — a truly momentous decision which, however correct from a military point of view, carried political consequences that did not become fully visible until sixty years later.

Military men often have a longing for war, which after all is their only opportunity for justifying their existence; and Winston Churchill was no exception. As the clouds began to gather in July 1914, sentences like "the raw comes through" began to appear in his correspondence, culminating in the following confession to his wife: "Everything tends towards catastrophe and collapse. I am interested, geared up and happy. Is it not horrible to be built like that? The preparations have a hideous fascination for me. I pray to God to forgive me for my fearful levity."

It is in these sentences, rather than in the supposedly "rational" considerations behind this or that strategic decision, that one must look for the clue to the mind of the man who was to become Britain's great warrior.

Churchill entered the war with nothing if not gusto. He had the navy mobilized in 24 hours, sent units to hunt down German shipping in the four corners of the globe, and in general managed not merely his own affairs but also those of his colleagues. Thus, he took the initiative in sending a brigade of marines into Antwerp (this particular decision, which helped save France from the Germans, is regarded by some military critics as his most important strategic contribution in both world wars) and sponsored the development of the so-called "landship," forerunner of the early tank.

When deadlock had settled on the Western front, he started searching for substitutes for "chewing barbed wire": instead of uselessly banging her head against the brick wall barring Germany's front, he proposed that Britain get in through the rear door represented by the Dardanelles. The idea, pushed through against much opposition, proved a costly failure; whether it need have been is still a hotly debated issue. Having expended tens of thousands of lives and yet failed to open the Straits, Churchill took the consequences and relinquished his portfolio.

He did not, however, stay out of office for very long. Having spent a few months in the trenches as a major, he was asked by Lloyd George to take over the Ministry of Munitions in 1916, and remained in that capacity for the remainder of the war. In 1918, he took over the War Office; next, he went to the Ministry of Colonies, where he was responsible for the decision limiting "Palestine" to the area west of the river Jordan and establishing the Hashemite Kingdom east of it.

Finally, in 1929, he took over the Treasury, where he remained for five disastrous years, leaving only after he had put Britain back on the gold standard — abandoned during the war — thereby laying what many experts regard as the foundation of Britain's subsequent economic decline. Despite this string of high offices, Churchill's career never quite recovered from the blow it suffered at the Dardanelles; in 1929, the person who twenty years earlier had been called "the youngest man in Europe," was becoming a "might-have-been," a failure.

WHAT DO PEOPLE who have reached — and passed — the top before they are fifty do with the remainder of their lives? Some, like America's President Teddy was helped by Efrat's long friendship with director Omri Nitzan — if 24-year-olds can have lengthy pasts. The two were together in military entertainment, and in a youth movement before that. But friendship alone would hardly have been decisive for this perfectionist young director and without Efrat's stamina, diligence, and versatility, "knowing the director" would have meant little.

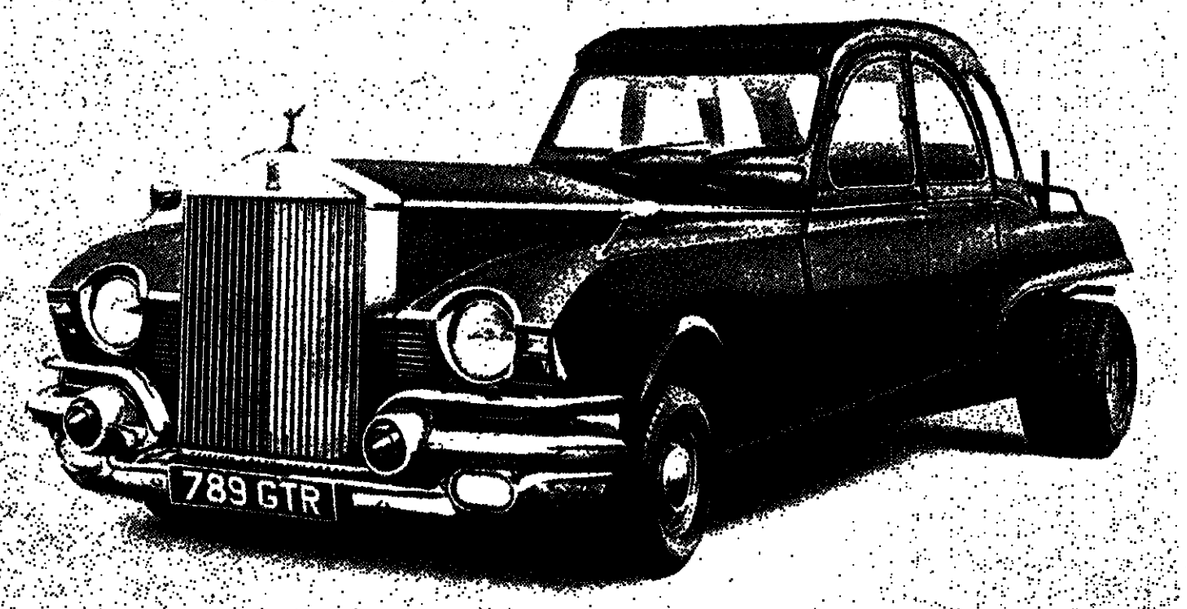
"I was so happy to do this part after the war," she said. "Our public needs a comedy like this." I asked whether orthodox theatregoers have seen this play which, while bitingly critical, has as its target religious hypocrisy rather than religion as such: "Yes, though not too many. One religious boy, wearing a *kipa*, came to me after the performance to say how much he enjoyed it." (Swinging over the audience from her flying rings, Efrat has an unusual vantage-point for judging male head covering; her comment on the sensation, after those thousands of hours of dancing lessons and exercise: *"Keff!"*)

Her training in dance (the "drama" part of her university theatre studies was "practically all theoretical") she considers of crucial importance: "Dancing gives you control over your body, which is the instrument you use on the stage." For the role of Hanna, for instance, "I had to work hard to show her character through her posture." Efrat's own is very straight; Hanna's needed to have rounded shoulders. "My shoulders sometimes hurt from keeping them hunched. Danny used to say, 'Pull in your neck, like a turtle!' " She is quick to point out the theatrical importance of what can be learned from a dance teacher such as the late Ruth Harris: "She showed me how to watch people, how to learn about them from a single gesture."

A SWEEPING STATEMENT such as "The theatre is my whole life!" is about the last kind of phrase one will hear from Efrat. She is interested in a great many things in addition. And then the drawbacks of the theatre are obvious: after two parts such as these, what does one do till the next good one comes along? And even if it does, the pace involved — "racing from rehearsal to rehearsal, from performance to performance" — leaves little for the rest of life.

But then, her non-theatre friends are endlessly interested in the stage, and always ready to hear funny stories about it. "You know," she adds, as though she has just remembered that this is true, "it really is quite fascinating." Then, shifting again to sadness, "How I wish Nadav had been able to see the film, and how much he would have enjoyed the play."

At one point Efrat said, "It is important to know what you want, and to get it, and to decide to run risks to achieve something." She may have been talking about Hanna, or perhaps even about Yettchen (who, poor child, does run off from papa and ends up in a brothel), but in either case it was also about herself. She is not afraid to admit that she faces many questions to which she does not know the answers — about herself, about what sort of life she wants, about men, about art, about earning money. But where for many people these questions merely stretch on into years in an unanswered haze, it seems possible that in Efrat's case, the search for the answers may form the basis for an unusual career.



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